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### briefs

## Man charged with stealing, selling 500 gallons of oil

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Meally man was arrested on Wednesday and charged with theft by unlawful taking for allegedly stealing 500 gallons of oil, which he then allegedly sold for \$1 a gallon.

Corey Allen, 29, appeared in district court for arraignment Thursday and was granted a preliminary hearing on March 20 to determine if his case will be sent to the grand jury.

His complaint states that he is accused of taking the oil from Kentucky Oil and Refinery, in Betsy Layne, on Feb. 25.

Judge Eric Hall placed him under a \$5,000 cash bond.

# Two indicted for drugstore robbery

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Two Wayland men arrested and charged with the armed robbery of a Wheelwright Pharmacy Jan. 5 were indicted for the crime Wednesday by a Floyd County grand jury.

Adam Chaffins, 19, and Adam M. Jones, 24, were arraigned Thursday morning in front of Circuit Judge John D. Caudill. They were ordered to attend a pretrial conference in the case that was set for July 5 and each was issued a \$100,000 cash bond.

Jones had appeared in Caudill's court last week in an effort to modify his bond, but saw the motion overruled by Judge Caudill after the commonwealth's attorney argued that Jones, who is looking at 10-to-20 years in prison if convicted, fled to Ashland after the robbery and merited a high bond to guarantee future court appearances should he be released.

The charges stemmed from an investigation by Kentucky State Police Det. Eddie Crum who investigated the case, and testified at a preliminary hearing that he had an informant who was allegedly with the men when

they planned the crime. Crum went on to say that three men wearing cut panty hose over their faces stormed into the pharmacy just after 9 a.m. and waved guns at the staff, who were then herded into a back room. Employees at the pharmacy related to the detective that the guns were placed close to their faces, which compelled them to follow the orders of the gunmen, who made off with two boxes of hydrocodone and cash from the register. Employees also reported that they were told that the men would come back and kill them

(See ROBBERY, page six)



Adam Jones, left, and Adam Chaffins were indicted this week for allegedly taking part in the Jan. 5 robbery of Family Drug in Wheelwright. A \$100,000 cash bond imposed on the men in district court was upheld by Circuit Judge John D. Caudill.



Thomas Shepherd, of Martin, is facing 16 charges stemming from a high-speed chase that ended in David on March 4. He may face yet more charges as police believe he was driving a rolling meth lab and have sent three jugs of greenish fluid found in his back seat to Frankfort for chemical analysis.

## Meth charges may follow after high-speed chase

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Martin man facing several counts of fleeing police could find himself facing more charges after a search warrant was executed on his vehicle and three jugs were

recovered which police suspect may contain liquid methamphetamine.

Thomas Shepherd, 32, was arrested last week by Floyd County Deputy Jeremy Shepherd after a car chase along Route 850 which began in Hueysville.

Deputy Shepherd testified at a

preliminary hearing on the matter Wednesday and recounted the chase for District Judge Eric Hall. Deputy Shepherd said that he was parked near the junction of Routes 550 and 850 last weekend, keeping an eye out for Thomas

(See CHASE, page six)

# Candidate officially off ballot

## Webb now unopposed for jailer

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Banner man who intended to run against Floyd County Jailer Roger Webb saw his name stricken from the ballot on Wednesday when he failed to attend a hearing that he had requested.

James "Big Jim" Isaacs had his name formally lifted from the ballot when he failed to show up for a hearing in which he was going to oppose a temporary injunction that had been granted against him because he failed to use a registered voter on the forms he filed to enter the race.

Judge John D. Caudill issued the order after the court waited an additional 15 minutes for Isaacs to appear. Neither Isaacs nor an attorney representing his interests materialized in that time.

Isaacs contacted the court

on March 7 via a letter in which he said that he wished to fight the temporary injunction that had been ordered by the court.

In the letter, he said that the clerk who handled his filing pulled the voter cards of the two people who had signed his declaration to run for the jailer's office. County Clerk Chris Waugh later said that his clerks are not instructed to do that.

The clerk who handled Isaacs' filing also appeared in court for the hearing and had previously reported that she never pulled the voter registration cards of the signers. She also noted that Isaacs had asked her to sign his form as a witness and she said that she refused, as it is not permitted for staff at the county clerk's office to do so. Waugh later said that it was the responsibility of each candidate to solicit two signatures from people he or she knows to be registered voters and that his office has never deviated from that policy.

Isaacs had said in his letter that if he had known that one of his signatures had invalidated his form, he would have found a hundred people to sign the document.

# State competing for \$1 billion next-generation power plant

by ROGER ALFORD  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

FRANKFORT — Legislators in Kentucky want to streamline the permitting process for a prototype power plant in hopes of giving the state an edge in the competition to win the \$1 billion experimental project.

The FutureGen project is intended to create the world's cleanest electric-generating plant, which would turn coal into a hydrogen-rich gas that would then be used to produce electricity or fuel pollution-free vehicles.

Kentucky is among several states, including Illinois, Ohio, Texas, West Virginia and Wyoming, that is expected to

vie for the project.

The FutureGen Industrial Alliance, an international consortium of coal producers and users that has partnered with the U.S. Department of Energy to design and construct the facility, issued a call for proposals last week. The alliance will develop a list of possible construction sites by this summer.

In Kentucky, state Rep. Tanya Pullin, D-South Shore, is sponsoring legislation that would exempt the project from one of the bureaucratic hoops that other coal-fired power plants are subjected to, review by state board that determines appropriate construction sites.

The legislation has already cleared the House and is on the fast-track in the

Senate, having been added to a list of non-controversial bills that will be voted on together, a move that virtually guarantees its passage.

Pullin said the project, which would create 1,000 to 1,500 construction jobs and 100 to 150 permanent high-tech jobs, would be a natural for a coal state like Kentucky.

"Kentucky would become really the center of clean-coal electric-generating research for the world," she said.

However, other states are taking steps of their own to win the project.

In Wyoming, legislation is being considered to give companies a tax exemption on the sale or purchase of equipment used to construct new, high-tech coal

gasification plants. That legislation was aimed in part at the FutureGen project's coal gasification plant.

Texas has already identified two sites for the plant, one near Odessa, the other close to Jewett.

The Kentucky Office of Energy Policy has been scrutinizing potential sites for the demonstration project. The choice will be based on a number of considerations, including availability of coal and access to electric transmission facilities.

Andrew McNeill, acting executive director for the state Office of Energy Policy, said one of the most important factors in determining a site will be the

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# Scaled-down gambling plan has uncertain future

by JOE BIESK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — A scaled-down plan that would amend Kentucky's constitution to allow up to nine casinos in the state cleared a House panel Wednesday.

Rep. Denver Butler, chairman of the House Licensing and Occupations Committee, proposed the amendment that would allow voters to decide whether casino gambling should be allowed in the state. It would not, however, spell out exactly where those casinos would go or how the state's cut should be spent.

"I don't know whether it's got a prayer or not, but we put it out there," Butler said after the panel approved it.

With time winding down on the 2006 General Assembly's legislative calendar, the measure

has an uncertain future.

Currently, Kentucky already allows wagering on horse races and charitable gambling such as bingo. The state also has a lottery.

Butler's proposal would leave it up to future legislatures to decide where the casinos should go and what the state would do with the money. Butler attached the proposal to a bill that had been backed by Kentucky's horse industry, including the Kentucky Equine Education Project.

Supporters of expanded gambling have said it could provide extra money to the state's coffers without increasing taxes. It could also help the state's horse industry and generate additional money for increased purses.

However, Butler's proposal was a more basic version of that plan, which called for casino gambling at Kentucky's horse

race tracks. The KEEP-backed plan also called for a constitutional amendment that would ask voters whether Kentucky should allow casino-style gambling. State revenue would be earmarked for programs such as education and health care.

House Speaker Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green, said the bill was being reas-

signed to another legislative committee that deals with constitutional amendments.

"I don't see it having much life in the House," Richards told reporters.

The Rev. Nancy Jo Kemper, head of the Kentucky Council of Churches, said allowing casinos to operate in the state would hurt Kentucky. They would not

boost economic development, she said.

"They tend to destroy the quality of life in any community that has them," Kemper said.

Still, Sen. David Boswell, D-Owensboro, who has been a longtime advocate for expanding gambling, said the plan could eventually generate about \$480 million in revenue that

could be used for education and health care costs.

While the committee's action "has advanced the issue farther than it ever has been before," Boswell acknowledged time was running.

"It's going to have rough sledding, but it's alive," Boswell said.

## Governor, speaker spar over seat-belt bill

by JOE BIESK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Gov. Ernie Fletcher called on House Speaker Jody Richards Wednesday to allow another vote on legislation to let police stop and ticket motorists solely for not wearing seat belts.

Fletcher, a Republican, has made the proposal a key part of his legislative agenda. However, the governor has had a tough time mustering Republican support and personally lobbied House GOP lawmakers on it Wednesday.

Nevertheless, Fletcher put the bill's fate on Richards.

"The only thing standing in the way of the passage of this bill, and the prevention of more than 60 deaths, is your decision to call or not call the bill back up for a vote," Fletcher wrote.

Last month, the bill failed in the House on a 49-48 vote, in

part because of a lack of support among GOP lawmakers. It fell just two votes short of the 51 it needed because of an emergency clause that would have it take effect immediately. One of the Republican lawmakers who voted for it, Rep. Howard Cornett of Whitesburg, said he did so by mistake.

Fletcher has been in and out of the hospital since Feb. 12. He was released from his second hospital stay on Monday.

After meeting with Republican legislators on Wednesday, Fletcher sent the letter to Richards and voiced concern the speaker would not call the bill up for another vote "despite having more than enough votes" to pass it.

"You asked us to secure more Republican votes, and we have satisfied that request," Fletcher said in the letter.

Richards said before the letter came out that Democrats had

tallied "only 12 Republican votes for it."

"I am very committed to the seat-belt law," Richards said. "I think it's very important. I think it saves lives."

John McGary, Richards' spokesman, said reporters received the letter before the speaker did. That shows the governor is using it as political fodder, McGary said.

Richards had tried to call Fletcher on Wednesday morning to discuss the seat-belt legislation, McGary said. But instead of returning the call, Fletcher responded with the politically motivated letter, McGary said.

"He's very disappointed," McGary said of Richards. "If the governor called him back, that would have gone a long

way."

Still, the bill would be called with a firm 15 Republican votes, McGary said.

But House Minority Floor Leader Jeff Hoover, R-Jamestown, said he would not be one to cast his vote in favor of the bill.

"Historically, Republicans have not supported a primary seat-belt bill," Hoover said.

Fletcher spokesman Brett Hall said the issue should not come down to politics.

"I think when people see how important this is to the governor, more and more people will step up," Hall said. "It is not a Republican versus Democrat issue. It shouldn't be. It's an issue about saving people's lives."

## Obituaries

### Butler Hamilton

Butler Hamilton, 53, of Grethel, died Monday, March 13, 2006, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Healthcare emergency room.

Born September 5, 1952, in Pikeville, he was the son of the late Raymond and Rhoda Tackett Hamilton. He was a disabled coal miner, and attended Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church, at McDowell.

He is survived by his wife, Cindy Newsome Hamilton.

Other survivors include two sons: Brian Justice of Harold, and Butler Hamilton Jr., (Rebecca) of Grethel; two brothers: Tivis Hamilton of Allen, and Andy Hamilton of Grethel; two sisters: Bonnie Akers of Galveston, and Betty Hamilton of Bellevue, Ohio; and a granddaughter, Abigail Lynn Hamilton.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, March 19, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Teddy Honaker, Earl Dean Newsome, Jimmy Hall, Clinton Moore and Donnie Hall officiating.

Burial will be in the Long Point Cemetery, at Mink Banch, in Craynor, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home, with nightly services at 7 p.m.

Active pallbearers: Ricky Newsome, Avis Baldwin, A.J. Hamilton, Mark Tackett, Johnathon Hamilton, Jesse Newsome, Woody Hamilton, and Richard Reynolds.

(Paid obituary)



### Lottie Turner

Lottie Turner, age 84, of Wayland, widow of Charles T. "Charlie" Turner, passed away Sunday, March 12, 2006, at the Riverview Health Care Center, Prestonsburg.

She was born March 27, 1921, in Hellier, the daughter of the late Paris Bartley and Maudie McCoy Bartley. She was a retired licensed practical nurse.

Survivors include a sister, Arbutus "Boots" Powers of Spring, Texas; and a brother, Earl Bartley of Ash Camp.

She was preceded in death by he husband, her parents, and a brother, Tandy Bartley.

Funeral services for Lottie Turner were conducted, Thursday, March 16, at 1:00 p.m., at Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin.

Burial followed in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

(Paid obituary)

### Nellie Boling Webb

Nellie Boling Webb, 81, of Jenkins, formerly of Prestonsburg, died Monday, March 13, 2006, at the Mountain View Health Care Center.

Born December 27, 1924, in Louisa, she was the daughter of the late Millard Boling and Anne Bowens Boling. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Kelly A. Webb.

Survivors include two daughters: Pamela W. Blair of Jenkins, and Gwen Duclos of Rockbridge, Ohio; three grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, March 17, at 2:00 p.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Bill Campbell officiating.

Interment will be at Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel.

Family members and friends will serve as pallbearers.

The family has entrusted arrangements to the Carter Funeral Home. (Paid obituary)



### William Lee Wells

William Lee Wells, 93, of Auxier, died Thursday, March 16, 2006, at the Mountain Manor, in Paintsville.

Born on November 24, 1912, he was the son of the late Sherman Wells and Berta Gravelly Hatcher Wells. He was self-employed in wholesale sales. He was a 60-year member of East Point Lodge No. 657, F&AM, and was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mable Irene Hubbard Wells, who died March 17, 1997.

Survivors include three sons: Paul B. Wells of Prestonsburg, Charles Robert Wells of Louisville, and Michael Wells of Mt. Orab, Ohio; two daughters: Nancy Goble of Auxier and Peggy Wells of Prestonsburg; one sister, Mary Louise Conley of Waynesburg, Ohio; 13 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, William Lee Wells Jr.

Memorial services will be held at a later date.

Interment will be in the Wells Family Cemetery, in Auxier.

The family has entrusted arrangements to the Carter Funeral Home. (Paid obituary)



## Senate takes up drug testing of coal miners

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Legislation that would require coal miners to be screened for drug abuse has been approved by a Senate committee and now heads to the floor for a vote.

The measure has already been approved by the House.

The initiative is intended to take some of the risk out of coal mining by ensuring that miners who abuse drugs can not work in underground environments where they may pose a risk for co-workers, said state Rep. Robin Webb, D-Grayson, a former coal miner and sponsor of the legislation.

Drug abuse among miners

came to the forefront after a blasting accident three years ago killed one man and seriously injured another in a Floyd County underground mine. Marijuana was found at the scene, and an employee, told investigators he saw miners snorting crushed painkillers. An autopsy found that the dead miner had taken illegal drugs.

A task force established to study the problem recommended the mandatory drug testing. The legislation would revoke the certification of coal miners who test positive. Proponents said that would stop the practice of miners fired by one company for abusing drugs from being hired by another company.

## Federal agency recommends \$139,300 fine for Letcher explosion

The Associated Press

WHITESBURG — A federal agency on Wednesday recommended an eastern Kentucky coal operator be fined \$139,300 for a methane ignition at one of its mines last year.

The small blast injured one worker and was due to "high negligence" on the part of the operator, J&R Coal Inc., according to the U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration.

Timothy Hall was drilling a hole at the No. 7 mine in Letcher County on Sept. 12 when the methane ignited, bringing Hall in contact with a small burst of flames, said Chuck Wolfe, a spokesman for the state Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet.

Hall, who was 34 at the time of the incident, suffered second- and third-degree burns on his hands and head, Wolfe said.

"The failure of any mine operator to provide safe working conditions carries a high risk for their miners and will not be tolerated," David Dye, acting director of the federal agency, said in a statement.

The government found five violations at the mine, including

failing to perform an adequate pre-shift examination; failing to conduct tests for methane and failing to maintain working methane detectors.

The agency said J&R Coal has 30 days to appeal the fines.

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# For the Record

### Marriage Licenses

Amanda Renee Hicks, 32, of Blount, Tenn., to Christopher Tildon Howard, 27, of Hippo.  
Ashley Laine Hall, 24, of Martin, to Timothy Bert Davis, 23, of Prestonsburg.  
Amanda Noel Walker, 21, to Bobby Joe Osborne, 23, both of Pikeville.  
Michelle Hamilton, 35, to Michael Alley, 43, both of Pikeville.  
Cristina Gwen Bays, 24, of Kosiosko, Ind., to Daniel Lee Cordial, 27, of Martin.  
Susan Rae Musick, 31, of Norwalk, Ohio, to Larry Michael Shepherd, 31, of Prestonsburg.

### Civil Suits Filed

Paula O'Brien vs. Johnny O'Brien; dismissal of divorce proceedings, parties to reconcile.  
Gary Johnson vs. Lillie Johnson, et al; contesting a will.  
Cabinet for Families vs. Billy Woods; petition for child support.  
James Settles vs. Zandal Parrington, et al; for damages.  
Shelby Tackett vs. Narong Chalathorn; for damages.

### Charges Filed

Michael L. Kendrick, 27, of Honaker; hunting/fishing without valid license.  
Jeremy Washington, 25, of Columbia, S.C.; hunting/fishing without a license.  
Diane Franklin, 52, of Lexington, S.C.; hunting/fishing without a license.

Lewis Phillips Stewart, 33, of Prestonsburg; fourth-degree assault.  
William S. Hensley, 35, of Langley; alcohol intoxication.  
Paul David Ousley, 40, of Prestonsburg; theft by unlawful taking.  
Shirley Mullins, 65, of Minnie; fourth-degree assault.  
Joseph M. Meadows, 21, of Prestonsburg; alcohol intoxication.  
Frank James Conley, 33, of Prestonsburg; alcohol intoxication.  
Kurt Smith, 32, of McDowell; fourth-degree assault.  
Joshua Bentley, 22, of Garrett; alcohol intoxication.  
Ella Renee Pennington, 34, of Prestonsburg; harassing communications.  
Anthony Craig Keathley, 23, of Dana; criminal trespassing.  
Tommy Owens, 27, of Blue River; public intoxication.  
Tracy Lewis, 24, of Banner; fourth-degree assault.  
Tina Sampson, 35, of Pikeville; public intoxication.

### Inspections

Wayland Quick Mart, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of accurate thermometers in cooling and freezing units, no chemical test strips at sink, wiping cloths improperly stored, plumbing not maintained according to law, floors in bad repair, cleaning equipment improperly stored. Score: Food 89, Retail 99.

Wayland Fountain, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food stored in unlabeled container, lack of thermometers in cooler and freezer units, lack of proper hair restraints, food contact surface not properly maintained, floors improperly covered and in bad repair, light not properly shielded. Score: 91.  
Hitching Post Market, Huelysville, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food not protected during storage, hand cleaner unavailable at sink, walls and ceiling in bad repair. Score: 94.  
Vance Quick Mart, Hi Hat, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of thermometers used to check holding temps for potentially hazardous foods, lack of hair restraints, wiping cloth improperly stored, food contact surface unclean, hand washing facility inaccessible, no drying devices for hands, floors in bad repair, cleaning equipment improperly stored. Score: Food 88, Retail 90.  
Slone's Market, Bevinsville, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food unprotected during storage, wiping cloths improperly stored, floors not clean, lighting not provided, lights improperly shielded, cleaning equipment improperly stored. Score: 91.  
Hobert's Pizza, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Storage containers unlabeled, easy to see thermometers not present in all freezers and coolers, walls in back storage

area in disrepair, food items observed stored on floor, floor tile in food prep area in bad repair. Score: 92.  
Long John Silver's, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Build up of ice on ice machine, ceiling in back storage area missing tile, personal items stored improperly. Score: 95.  
Wal Mart Subway, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Proper hair restraints not in use, clothing items improperly stored. Score: 98.  
Exxon Tiger Mart, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Easy to see thermometers not present in coolers, proper hair restraints not in use, no towels at hand wash sink, cooler light inoperable, food contact counter in disrepair. Score: Food 93, Retail 99.  
The Market Place, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Several containers unlabeled, easy to spot thermometers in coolers and freezers are lacking, food contact surface in disrepair, single service items improperly stored, floor in disrepair, cleaning items improperly stored. Score: Food 89, Retail 94.  
Little Hillbilly Cafe, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Unlabeled containers in use, not all coolers and freezers sport thermometers. Score: 97.

Tom Holbrook, property located at Frasure Cemetery.  
Elmis and Ruby Shepherd to Margaret and Robert Ousley, property located at Middle Creek.  
Burl and Jean Spurlock to Kinhag Development Company, property located at Bull Creek.  
Barbara, Russell, Wanda and William Ousley to Margaret and Robert Ousley, property located at Middle Creek.  
Junior and Mildred Martin to Larry Martin, property located at Wayland.  
Alfretta McCoy to Sandra Beerbower, Gilbert, Henry and Paul McCoy, Bonnie Neiman and Sharon Temkin, property located at John's Creek.  
Samantha Meade to Mary Meade, property located at Left Beaver.  
Lula and Clifford Morris to Margaret and Robert Ousley, property located at Middle

Creek.  
Emmogene and Thomas Lafferty to Kinhag Development Company, property located at Bull Creek.  
Eloise Lewis to Sharon Parker, property located at Wheelwright.  
Robert Little to Jimmy Hall, property located at Caleb Fork.  
Casey and Jenny Jones to Jesse and Melinda Osborne, property located at Whispering Oaks.  
Gladys and Helen Jones to Adam and Heather Tackett, property located at Big Mud.  
John and Nadine Desanto to Vicki Spencer, property located at Buck's Branch.

### Clarification

The Linda Bevins listed in last week's "For the Record" is not the same person as the Linda Bevins who lives at 605 Walnut Ave. in Paintsville.

### Property Transfers

Cecil Webb to Margaret and

## Senate approves making teens wait longer for driving privileges

by BRUCE SCHREINER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Kentucky's youngest, and most inexperienced, drivers will likely face longer waits before getting full driving privileges.  
Perennial legislation requiring more time and training before teens obtain a full driver's license passed the Senate on a 35-0 vote Wednesday.  
That leaves the bill just one vote away from final passage.  
"It is not often that the actions of the General Assembly can have an immediate impact on saving lives," said Sen. Denise Harper Angel, D-Louisville. "Today is one of those rare moments."  
The bill returns to the House, where it started, for consideration of Senate changes. If the House accepts the changes, the

bill would go to Gov. Ernie Fletcher.  
"I can be supportive of that bill," Fletcher said Wednesday in an interview. "I'd have to look at the particulars of it before I make a final commitment of supporting and signing it. But the principles I support."  
The graduated driver license bill would create an intermediate license that would make teens wait at least six extra months before getting full driving privileges.  
Under the bill, the earliest teens could get their full license would be 17, as long as they committed no violations. Currently, teens can get full driving privileges after having a learner's permit for six months.  
The bill has become an annual quest by Rep. Tom Burch, a Louisville Democrat who has pushed for the extra training for

young drivers following his own family tragedy.  
In 1999, Burch's 17-year-old granddaughter was killed when she lost control of her pickup and the vehicle flipped.  
To make the case for his bill, Burch has sent newspaper clippings about teen driving deaths to his legislative colleagues: His persistence appears to have paid off.  
Burch said Wednesday he wasn't opposed to any of the Senate changes. "I feel good about it," he said of the bill. "I think we are going to save lives."  
Sen. Julie Denton, R-Louisville, who helped shepherd the bill through the Senate, said statistics show 16-year-old drivers have much higher vehicle crash rates.  
The tiered system would include a 180-day training peri-

od for 16-year-olds. They would have to complete 60 hours of supervised driving, including 10 hours at night.  
After completing the permit period without a moving violation, young drivers would get the new intermediate license for another 180 days. The restrictions would include no driving from midnight to 6 a.m. except in cases of emergency, and no more than one unrelated passenger under age 20.



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### The Knightly News

## Piarist — more than a great education

by STEPHANIE WILLIAMS

The summer before my freshman year in high school, I decided to attend the Piarist School. I initially chose Piarist because I knew it would provide me with a good education, but I never expected all the other things the school has brought me over these past four years.  
Most importantly, Piarist has given me friendships that will last a lifetime. When you're in a school of 44 students, you become like a big family. I've played sports with these students, been in clubs with them, and done homework with them. We've done everything together. Every time someone goes through something here, good or bad, we all go through it together. This family-like atmosphere allows students to develop relationships that I don't believe

could be achieved in any other setting.  
Not only have I developed friendships with the students, but also the teachers have proven to make good friends. In a school where the student-teacher ratio is around 5:1, students have an opportunity to develop a close, one-on-one relationship with each one of the teachers. Not only do these relationships prove beneficial in the classroom, the teachers become friends you can count on to help you with issues outside of school as well.  
Another thing Piarist has given me is a better sense of self. Piarist has many thought provoking classes that allow students to discuss issues surrounding life. This discussion and openness among the students gives them the opportunity to establish their own beliefs

and personalities. I think people leave Piarist with a sense of confidence and self-assurance that they may not have found elsewhere.  
In the last four years, Piarist has brought me an outstanding education, a family, and a better sense of who I am. While there are a few things my school may not have (you can't exactly have a football team when your school has a total of sixteen guys), I wouldn't trade my years here for any other place in the world.  
Stephanie Williams is a senior at The Piarist School and is the daughter of Steven Williams of Prestonsburg and Greta Howard of Pikeville. She is the Student Council president and a member of numerous other clubs and organizations.

## Hey, Kids!

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### Public Notice

On behalf of the Floyd County Board of Education, the Floyd County Schools Local Planning Committee will convene a meeting at 6:00 p.m. on March 23, 2006, at Allen Elementary School, 112 Eagle Lane, Allen, KY 41601. This meeting is for the purpose of gathering information and making recommendations to the Floyd County Board of Education concerning student school assignments and on going projects in the current District Facilities Plan.

### Happy St. Pat's Birthday, Whitney!

Whitney Breanna Innis is celebrating her 10th birthday today, March 17, 2006. Whitney, along with family and friends, will enjoy a "Hip-Hop Dance Party" at the Little Mud Community Center, from 6-9 p.m., this evening. Whitney is a student at Allen Elementary School.

### Happy Birthday, Sissy!

Love, Mom Dad & Brandi

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## MEET THE CANDIDATE

TO ALL MY FRIENDS AND VOTERS OF DISTRICT 1:

I would like to take the opportunity to invite everyone to come out this Friday, March 17, 2006, at 6:00 p.m., to the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg and show your support and express your views and concerns of District 1.

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# Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

"Before God we are all equally wise — and equally foolish."

— Albert Einstein

## Amendment 1

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

## Guest View

### Editorial roundup

*The (Charleston, S.C.) Post and Courier, on tightening ethics rules:*

Congressmen who dine with lobbyists would have to start paying for their own meals — or as one senator noted, eating more at home — under a welcome tightening of ethics rules endorsed by the Senate recently.

The Senate proposal barring legislators from taking gifts from lobbyists initially made an exception of meals. That changed on a bipartisan amendment that correctly added meals to the proscribed list. ...

Sen. Trent Lott, R-Miss., described the change as "totally ludicrous," in remarks quoted by The Associated Press, adding, "I'll be eating with my wife and so will a lot more senators after we pass this one."

Dining within the family circle can only strengthen those family values that our congressmen so frequently praise and recommend to the nation. Having to forgo some of the fabulous dining opportunities provided by lobbyists would bring our lawmakers a little closer to life as their constituents know it. ...

Tougher ethics rules are required to restrict the unseemly relationship between lobbyists and some members of Congress that became apparent in the Abramoff scandal.

As lobbyists are put at arm's length, the ethical climate of Congress can only improve.

*The Paducah Sun, on the Patriot Act:*

With a decisive vote in favor of renewing the major provisions of the Patriot Act, Congress affirmed that the law has played a key role in protecting Americans from terrorist attacks.

President Bush signed the renewal of the Patriot Act March 9, one day before 16 sections of the old law were set to expire. ...

Despite a prolonged dispute over whether some sections of the law threatened the civil liberties of Americans, most members of Congress agreed with the president that the legislation is a powerful and constitutionally legitimate weapon in the war on terrorism. The Senate voted 89-10 in favor of renewal. The House passed the legislation 280-138. ...

Clearly the Patriot Act has significantly strengthened the nation's defenses against terrorism. The most obvious evidence is that Islamic extremists have been unable to mount another attack on U.S. soil.

Osama bin Laden and his lieutenants in the al-Qaida network have repeatedly threatened to carry out more attacks against targets in the U.S., but no serious terrorist incidents have occurred since 9-11. ...

Some of the Patriot Act's critics have raised important questions about the law's expansion of law enforcement power. The president and Congress must be careful to balance the need to stop terrorists against the possibility that overzealous agents will use the law's provisions to infringe on the civil liberties of Americans. ...

*The Ann Arbor (Mich.) News, on Sunshine Week:*

On Sunshine Week, those hoping for access to information about public employees entrusted to care for children and the elderly may find government's window shades drawn.

News media organizations and others across the country have declared this week a time to underscore the need for "sunshine laws," an informal term describing the framework of public information and open meetings rules that gives citizens an opportunity to evaluate government. Forty years after the federal Freedom of Information Act became law, ... the need to shed light on the performance of public officials and the spending of the public dollar has never been greater. ...

The public wants to trust officials who must deal with personnel matters. Many citizens also want to be able to verify that public employees are worthy of that trust. To make Freedom of Information more than a slogan, the Legislature should act to bring the public's business into the light of day.

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"Ask any survivors if they'd like to be part of Iraq's new unity government."

## Guest Column

### Monsters, Inc.

by SAM BOSTAPH

In 2001, an animated film from Pixar Animation Studios was released and became extremely popular with both adults and children. *Monsters, Inc.* is set in the city of Monstropolis, where all monsters live. A corporation that gives the title to the movie employs "scarers," monsters who venture out of the city every night to enter the human world through the closets of children. Their job is to scare children into screaming because the screams can be collected and used to generate the electricity that powers Monstropolis. The children themselves, and all their things, are believed to be toxic to monsters and must be kept out of the city.

One night a furry, blue monster named Sulley is followed by a child through her closet door into Monstropolis and panic ensues. In the midst of it, Sulley discovers that she isn't toxic at all. His frantic attempts to conceal the girl he nicknames "Boo" and to return her to the human world only make her laugh. When she laughs, power surges brighten the city lights.

Sulley's boss, Mr. Watermoose, knows that children are not toxic and schemes to increase the energy available to the city. He will have children kidnapped and brought back to Monstropolis, where scream machines will suck out all their screams.

*Monsters, Inc.* is a useful analogue for understanding the main purpose that President George W. Bush's "war on terror" serves. Since September 11, 2001, Osama bin Laden, the Taliban regime in Afghanistan, and Saddam Hussein's Iraq have served as useful monsters in generating screams from the American public. The resulting enhancements in federal government power have enabled the Bush administration to use the military forces of the United States to invade and occupy both Afghanistan and Iraq and to install puppet governments in both countries. It is inconceivable that police in any city in the United States or members of any federal civilian or military agency would be routinely permitted to kill anyone harboring or even being in the vicinity of a domestic fugitive. The enhancement of federal power that the "war on terror" has provided has enabled the adoption of Rules of Engagement by U.S. military forces that permit exactly that treatment of civilian targets in Iraq. The result has been the killing without distinction of an estimated 100,000 Iraqi men, women, and children.

The enhancement of federal power provided by the "war on terror" has also led to the incarceration of military captives for indefinite periods, the violation of Geneva Convention strictures on the treatment of prisoners of war, the deliberate torture of prisoners, the kidnapping of foreign nationals, and the "rendition" of kidnap victims to other

countries where they can be tortured out of the view of the U.S. media. Even the recent revelation of the unlawful spying on U.S. citizens by the National Security Agency has resulted in more public expressions of support than condemnation.

George W. Bush is our Mr. Watermoose (although the cartoon character looks more like Dick Cheney). Unfortunately, he and the "scarer" monsters in his administration have succeeded in strapping the American public to a scream machine and are extracting more screams to provide more power to the executive branch. Their latest ploy is the demonizing of Iran, the creation of yet another monster for further power enhancement.

American foreign policy would better serve the domestic needs of peace and security if it were used to cultivate friends rather than enemies and create trading partners rather than areas to pillage. One of the first positive steps in this direction would be to withdraw all military forces from Iraq and Afghanistan and to close every U.S. base in every foreign country. U.S. troops should be on U.S. soil unless they are fighting a declared war that someone else started.

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*Sam Bostaph is head of the economics department at the University of Dallas and an academic advisor to The Future of Freedom Foundation.*

## Letters

### Paxton not fair

I am a concerned grandmother and parent who has seen my son at the mercy of the Floyd County Family Court. I have sit and watched Judge Paxton make ruling after ruling against my son.

She has written in her ad that she is "fair." I would like to show how fair she can be toward a man who is disabled and in a wheelchair. I have enough proof to show just how "fair" she can be. She has been judge, jury and god.

I would like to ask everyone that has been treated unfairly by the Floyd County Family Court to come forward and let's show how "fair Judge Paxton can be.

Betty Conley  
Prestonsburg

### Protect property rights

House Bill 508 provides Kentuckians an opportunity to strengthen private property rights and greatly reduce the chance of having homes, farms or businesses confiscated for private economic development. The bill, which passed the House 95-1, restricts the use of eminent domain to projects involving "public use," such as schools, roads and libraries. It would prohibit forcibly taking property for subdivisions, industrial parks or commercial projects.

The Supreme Court's ruling last year in the Kelo case sent shock waves through the nation, by ruling that eminent domain is allowed for private development, unless the practice is out-

lawed by state legislatures. House Bill 508 provides that protection for citizens of the Commonwealth.

We applaud the strong showing of support by the Kentucky House and urge similar action in the Senate, where the bill now awaits committee action. Eminent domain reform is one of our organization's highest priorities for the current legislative session. If you share our concern, please call your state senator and ask that he or she vote for House Bill 508, as passed by the House. Ask them to oppose any move to amend the bill and weaken its protections. Ask them to stand up for stronger property rights for Kentucky families.

Marshall Coyle  
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# Entertainment Extra

## At the Movies: 'V for Vendetta'

by DAVID GERMAIN  
AP MOVIE WRITER

The totalitarian saga "V for Vendetta" scores well enough in its first hour as it works its way through the alphabet, earning a D for daring and an E for erudite compared to most action-oriented spectacles.

But the movie loses focus midway through, the tone shifting from silly but smart to just silly, with the movie meriting a P for pretension as it tries to comment on current world affairs and a T for tediousness as it drags on far longer than the story deserves.

Andy and Larry Wachowski, creators of "The Matrix" movies, wrote the screenplay based on David Lloyd's 1980s graphic novel, and the result feels like an extension or philosophical cousin of the siblings' sci-fi trilogy.

"V for Vendetta" lands somewhere between the neo-noir freshness of the original "The Matrix" and the indecipherable bombast of the two sequels.

First-time director James McTeigue, a Wachowski brother protegee as assistant director on "The Matrix" movies, effectively creates an image of Britain under the government's



"V for Vendetta," a Warner Bros. release, is rated R for strong violence and some language. Running time: 133 minutes.

Two and a half stars out of four.

boot heel, blending the somberness of George Orwell's "1984" with the flair of Stanley Kubrick's "A Clockwork Orange" and Terry Gilliam's "Brazil."

Natalie Portman makes for a strong-willed heroine casting off complacency to rebel against a repressive regime, though she's generally upstaged by "Matrix" co-star Hugo Weaving as the title character of "V for Vendetta," even though he spends the entire movie concealed behind a Guy Fawkes mask.

For those unfamiliar with Fawkes, the movie opens with a quick history lesson, retelling his failed attempt to blow up London's Parliament in 1605 in protest against the government. Fawkes was caught and hanged, though he became something of

a folk hero for centuries of citizens with gripes against the establishment.

"V for Vendetta" is set in a near future where xenophobic reactionaries have seized control of Britain to stomp out homosexuals, Muslims, the diseased and other "undesirables." Individual rights and personal freedom are sacrificed for severe law and order, and people are subject to the whims of a vicious secret police that can haul them off to "reclamation" facilities on a whim.

Evey (Portman), a go-fer for the state-censored television service, is saved from ravagement at the hands of the police by V, who from behind his Fawkes mask and black cape flamboyantly spouts Shakespeare and carries out a one-man campaign of terrorism

against the government.

Beginning with an explosive display on Nov. 5, the anniversary of Fawkes' foiled "Gunpowder Plot," Evey is drawn over the following year into V's plans to make the ultimate statement against the government and impel the populace to rise up in revolution.

With overt references to "The Count of Monte Cristo," the filmmakers lay out Evey and her mentor's personal histories, raising questions as to whether a quest for justice or a thirst for revenge is driving V.

Weaving, best-known as the unctuous Agent Smith in "The Matrix" movies, is a gleeful dynamo, infusing V with mad passion and a real sense of tenderness, no easy task from behind a crazy mask.

Portman is at the center of some disturbing sequences whose images recall the Holocaust. Able support is provided by Stephen Rea as the deadpan, industrious cop tracking V and Stephen Fry as a friend to Evey.

With fine irony, John Hurt — who played the tragic romantic hero in a version of Orwell's

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# Rental Central

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

A good week for renters saw two Oscar nominees vying for your dollar, as well as a drama that fell through the cracks and a cable series that gave some weight to the Showtime Network.

"Good Night and Good Luck" — CBS Newscaster Edward R. Murrow's signature sign-off line is the perfect title for this venture which focuses on Murrow's efforts to combat paranoia on the airwaves in the 1950s. The film follows Murrow's unpopular stance on U.S. Sen. Joseph McCarthy, who threw out the rule book as he fanned fears of communist infiltration of the American government with his infamous Senate subcommittee's televised hearings. David Strathairn does a fine job as Murrow and McCarthy actually plays himself via newsreel footage. The film also announces actor George Clooney as a triple threat as he costared, co-wrote and directed this low-key effort, which has obvious parallels

with the Bush administration. "A History of Violence" — David Cronenberg's most mainstream film, and an Oscar nominee for best screenplay, is a well crafted adaptation of a graphic novel by Matt Wagner. The story follows a midwestern family who falls under intense media scrutiny when the patriarch defends his diner from two thugs. The media attention also brings the family into the notice of a Philadelphia branch of the mafia, who seek out the husband and claim he was one of their most lethal enforcers. Viggo Mortenson ("Lord of the Rings") wisely underplays the role of the husband, while Maria Bello scores as his wife who begins to doubt if she truly knows the man she has raised two children with. The story is well served by a subplot exploring the effects of the crisis on their teenage son and how it influences his situation with a bully at his high school. The film also benefits from intense supporting turns by Ed Harris and William Hurt as mobsters with a score to settle.

"The Prize Winner of Defiance, Ohio" — A solid turn by Julianne Moore anchors this true story about a 1950s era housewife who must cope with raising a family of 10 while married to a violent alcoholic. She finds that she has a talent for contests and is soon penning jingles for products which win her the financial means to keep her family afloat. Look for a rare dark turn by Woody Harelson as her less than supportive husband.

"The Cutter" — Chuck Norris defies his 65 years of age

in this welcome return to films after a decade on CBS as "Walker: Texas Ranger." Here he gets to mix it up with thugs out to squeeze a diamond cutter in a recycled plot which is basically a tool to get him to each fight scene, which are well staged.

"Neighbor No. 13" — Japanese horror films get a recharge with this ultra gory effort. A young man who was bullied in his school days flips

out and embarks on a murder spree in his apartment building. Though his targets include his tormentors, he goes way around the bend and becomes a threat to anyone in his field of vision.

"Sleeper Cell" — The Showtime Network can expect more subscribers after viewers check out this series, which mixes action and drama to great effect. The story focuses on a Muslim FBI agent who is recruited to get inside a home-

grown terrorist group in Los Angeles. It's a gripping nine hours which also offers plenty of "Donnie Brasco" styled moments as the agent must break the law to get accepted and never give himself away, which becomes a true challenge when the group runs into conflict with the LAPD.

Next week look for Philip Seymour Hoffman in "Capote" and the Kentucky racing drama "Dreamer" with Kurt Russell.

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## WEEKEND TV PREVIEW

SATURDAY EVENING		MARCH 18, 2006															
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20	23	TBS	(4:00) *** "Desperate" (1995) Antonio Banderas	*** "Blue Streak" (1999, Comedy) (PA) Martin Lawrence, Luke Wilson	*** "Bad Boys" (1995, Drama) (PA) Martin Lawrence, Will Smith	*** "Shanghai Noon" (2000, Comedy) (PA) Jackie Chan, Owen Wilson	*** "Blue Streak" (1999) (PA)										
4	4	NBC	(2:30) PGA Golf: Bay Hill Invitational - Third Round	News	NBC Nightly News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Saturday Night's Main Event (N) (In Stereo)	Conviction "Breakup" (In Stereo)	News	Saturday Night Live (In Stereo)						
3	3	PBS	Moments-Rem Daniel O'Donnell: The Rock 'N' Roll Show (In Stereo)	The Red Green Test Drive (In Stereo)	Telefund 2006												
7	7	ABC	(4:00) *** "Miranda" (2002, Suspense) Christina Ricci	News	ABC World News Tonight	Billy Graham (In Stereo)	*** "The Sixth Sense" (1999, Suspense) (PA) Bruce Willis, Haley Joel Osment, (In Stereo)	News	24 "Day 2: 8:00 - 9:00AM" (In Stereo)	Da Vinci's Inquest							
15	15	WGN	MLB Preseason Baseball: Cubs at White Sox	Ultimate Arena Paintball	Funniest Home Videos	Paid Program	20th Annual Soul Train Music Awards (In Stereo)	WGN News at Nine (In Stereo)	Sex and the City	Becker "MacStreaks"	Home Improvement	Stargate SG-1 "End Game" (In Stereo)					
18	18	CBS	(3:30) College Basketball: NCAA Tournament Second Round - Teams TBA. (Live)	College Basketball: NCAA Tournament Second Round - Teams TBA. (Live)	College Basketball: NCAA Tournament Second Round - Teams TBA. (Live)	College Basketball: NCAA Tournament Second Round - Teams TBA. (Live)	College Basketball: NCAA Tournament Second Round - Teams TBA. (Live)	College Basketball: NCAA Tournament Second Round - Teams TBA. (Live)	48 Hours Mystery (N) (In Stereo)	News	Sports Spectrum	Stargate SG-1 "End Game" (In Stereo)					
11	11	FOX	Will & Grace (In Stereo)	The King of Queens (In Stereo)	The King of Queens (In Stereo)	The King of Queens (In Stereo)	High School Basketball: West Virginia Class AAA Tournament Final - Teams TBA. (Live)	America's Most Wanted: America Fights Back (N)	News	Mad TV (N) (In Stereo)	48 Hours Mystery (In Stereo)	News	CSI: Crime Scene Investigatn	Juist Shoot			
13	13	FX	Basketball: College Basketball: NCAA Tournament Second Round - Teams TBA. (Live)	College Basketball: NCAA Tournament Second Round - Teams TBA. (Live)	College Basketball: NCAA Tournament Second Round - Teams TBA. (Live)	College Basketball: NCAA Tournament Second Round - Teams TBA. (Live)	College Basketball: NCAA Tournament Second Round - Teams TBA. (Live)	College Basketball: NCAA Tournament Second Round - Teams TBA. (Live)	48 Hours Mystery (In Stereo)	News	CSI: Crime Scene Investigatn	Juist Shoot					
48	48	ESPN	(3:00) Baseball (Live)	Horse Racing: Rebel Stakes/San Felipe	College Wrestling: 2006 NCAA Championship. (Live)	The FBI Files											
39	39	DSC	Who Killed King Tut: Case Reopened	The FBI Files													
13	13	TNT	*** "The Patriot" (2000, Drama) Mel Gibson, Heath Ledger	*** "The Patriot" (2000, Drama) Mel Gibson, Heath Ledger	*** "The Patriot" (2000, Drama) Mel Gibson, Heath Ledger	*** "The Patriot" (2000, Drama) Mel Gibson, Heath Ledger	*** "The Patriot" (2000, Drama) Mel Gibson, Heath Ledger	*** "The Patriot" (2000, Drama) Mel Gibson, Heath Ledger	*** "The Patriot" (2000, Drama) Mel Gibson, Heath Ledger	*** "The Patriot" (2000, Drama) Mel Gibson, Heath Ledger	*** "The Patriot" (2000, Drama) Mel Gibson, Heath Ledger	*** "The Patriot" (2000, Drama) Mel Gibson, Heath Ledger					
45	45	A&E	(3:00) *** "Jaws" (1975) Confrontation	City Confidential													
23	23	TNN	*** "WarGames" (1993, Drama) Matthew Broderick	Most Amazing Videos													
53	53	NICK	SpongeBob "Drake & Josh All Grown Up" Danny Phant	Oddparents "SpongeBob Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Mad Hops" (In Stereo)	Oddparents "SpongeBob Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Mad Hops" (In Stereo)	Oddparents "SpongeBob Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Mad Hops" (In Stereo)	Oddparents "SpongeBob Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Mad Hops" (In Stereo)	Oddparents "SpongeBob Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Mad Hops" (In Stereo)	Oddparents "SpongeBob Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Mad Hops" (In Stereo)	Oddparents "SpongeBob Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Mad Hops" (In Stereo)	Oddparents "SpongeBob Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Mad Hops" (In Stereo)	Oddparents "SpongeBob Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Mad Hops" (In Stereo)					
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40	40	FAM	Celeste *** "Ghost" (1990, Fantasy) Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore	*** "Ghost" (1990, Fantasy) Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore	*** "Ghost" (1990, Fantasy) Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore	*** "Ghost" (1990, Fantasy) Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore	*** "Ghost" (1990, Fantasy) Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore	*** "Ghost" (1990, Fantasy) Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore	*** "Ghost" (1990, Fantasy) Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore	*** "Ghost" (1990, Fantasy) Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore	*** "Ghost" (1990, Fantasy) Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore	*** "Ghost" (1990, Fantasy) Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore					
24	24	LIFE	"The Suspect" (2005, Suspense) Jamie Lerner	*** "Sleeping with the Devil" (1997) Sharmen Doherty	*** "For One Night" (2006, Drama) Raven-Symone												
27	27	ESPN2	Update Tennis: Pacific Life Open - Women's Final (Live)	Billiards													
72	72	AMC	*** "The In-Laws" (2003, Comedy) Michael Douglas, Albert Brooks	Hustle													
48	48	HGTV	Extreme Homes of Europe	Debbie Travis' Facelift	Get Color	House	Design Inc. Divine Design	First Place	reDesign	Design-Dims	Design-Dims	Design-Dims					
61	61	SCIFI	*** "Village of the Damned" (1995) Christopher Reeve	*** "Shallow Ground" (2005, Horror) Timothy V. Murphy	*** "Freddy vs. Jason" (2003, Horror) Robert Englund	*** "Freddy vs. Jason" (2003, Horror) Robert Englund	*** "Freddy vs. Jason" (2003, Horror) Robert Englund	*** "Freddy vs. Jason" (2003, Horror) Robert Englund	*** "Freddy vs. Jason" (2003, Horror) Robert Englund	*** "Freddy vs. Jason" (2003, Horror) Robert Englund	*** "Freddy vs. Jason" (2003, Horror) Robert Englund	*** "Freddy vs. Jason" (2003, Horror) Robert Englund					
44	44	HIST	How William Shatner Changed the World	Modern Marvels													
33	33	TOC	Motorcycle Racing	The Next Bite	Birdhunter	Outdoor	About Fish	Cast & Blast	NW Hunter	Outdoor Mag	Rifleman	Incredible Bul True?					
14	14	HBO	(3:45) *** "Spanglish" (2004) Adam Sandler PG-13	*** "Catwoman" (2004, Action) Halle Berry, Benjamin Bratt, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Catwoman" (2004, Action) Halle Berry, Benjamin Bratt, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Catwoman" (2004, Action) Halle Berry, Benjamin Bratt, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Catwoman" (2004, Action) Halle Berry, Benjamin Bratt, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Catwoman" (2004, Action) Halle Berry, Benjamin Bratt, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Catwoman" (2004, Action) Halle Berry, Benjamin Bratt, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Catwoman" (2004, Action) Halle Berry, Benjamin Bratt, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Catwoman" (2004, Action) Halle Berry, Benjamin Bratt, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Catwoman" (2004, Action) Halle Berry, Benjamin Bratt, (In Stereo) PG-13					
15	15	HBO2	(4:55) Boxing *** "Lackawanna Blues" (2005) S. Epitha Merikson	*** "Breakin' All the Rules" (2004) PG-13													
15	15	HBO3	*** "Maria Full of Grace" (2004, Drama) Catalina Sandino Moreno, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Million Dollar Baby" (2004, Drama) Clint Eastwood, Hilary Swank, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Million Dollar Baby" (2004, Drama) Clint Eastwood, Hilary Swank, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Million Dollar Baby" (2004, Drama) Clint Eastwood, Hilary Swank, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Million Dollar Baby" (2004, Drama) Clint Eastwood, Hilary Swank, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Million Dollar Baby" (2004, Drama) Clint Eastwood, Hilary Swank, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Million Dollar Baby" (2004, Drama) Clint Eastwood, Hilary Swank, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Million Dollar Baby" (2004, Drama) Clint Eastwood, Hilary Swank, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Million Dollar Baby" (2004, Drama) Clint Eastwood, Hilary Swank, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "Million Dollar Baby" (2004, Drama) Clint Eastwood, Hilary Swank, (In Stereo) PG-13					
30	30	MAX	(3:15) *** "Troy" (2004, Action) Brad Pitt, T	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004, Adventure) Dennis Quaid, Jake Gyllenhaal, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004, Adventure) Dennis Quaid, Jake Gyllenhaal, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004, Adventure) Dennis Quaid, Jake Gyllenhaal, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004, Adventure) Dennis Quaid, Jake Gyllenhaal, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004, Adventure) Dennis Quaid, Jake Gyllenhaal, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004, Adventure) Dennis Quaid, Jake Gyllenhaal, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004, Adventure) Dennis Quaid, Jake Gyllenhaal, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004, Adventure) Dennis Quaid, Jake Gyllenhaal, (In Stereo) PG-13	*** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004, Adventure) Dennis Quaid, Jake Gyllenhaal, (In Stereo) PG-13					
28	28	DISN	Emperor New The Buzz on Maggie	Life With Derek	Suite Life of Zack & Cody	That's So Raven											
22	22	SHOW	(4:30) *** "Walking Tall" (2004, Action) The Rock	*** "The Cookout" (2004, Comedy) Jé Rulo, Tim Meadows, TV, (In Stereo)	*** "The Cookout" (2004, Comedy) Jé Rulo, Tim Meadows,												

# Supreme Court: Fletcher can't appoint another special justice

by JOE BIESK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Gov. Ernie Fletcher will have only one appointee sit as a special justice in his appeal seeking to shut down an investigation of his administration, the state's Supreme Court ruled Thursday.

The ruling serves as a potential blow to the Fletcher administration by setting up the possibility for a 3-3 tie on the underlying question of whether a Franklin County special grand jury may continue its investigation. A tie would

mean the Kentucky Court of Appeals' ruling against Fletcher that would allow the investigation to continue would stand.

"We consider this a victory for the people of Kentucky and the justice system because the constitution has been upheld," Deputy Attorney General Pierce Whites said.

At issue was whether Fletcher had the constitutional authority to appoint another special justice after Circuit Judge Jeffrey T. Burdette stepped aside. In a 4-2 ruling, the court said Fletcher could not appoint John Knox Mills, a district judge

in Knox and Laurel counties, as yet another substitute.

The convoluted courtroom saga began when Chief Justice Joseph Lambert and Justice John Roach, Fletcher's former general counsel, removed themselves from the original case.

The two vacancies triggered a provision in the state constitution that allows the governor to appoint special justices. Fletcher responded by appointing Burdette and Lexington attorney Ronald L. Green to fill in.

Both Burdette and Green had given political donations to Fletcher and the

attorney general said they should step down.

Although both were sworn in as special justices, Burdette said earlier this week he would not sit on the cases. Green stayed on and was one of the two justices who ruled in Fletcher's favor. Justice Will T. Scott of Pikeville was the other.

Fletcher's attorney Sheryl Snyder of Louisville said he was "disappointed" by the court's ruling and hoped the court would not have a tie when it comes to the underlying case. Snyder said he did "it would be unfortunate" if the case was resolved without an opinion written by

the Supreme Court.

"I'm disappointed," Snyder said. "We read the constitution to require the governor to make the appointment and two members of the court agreed with our interpretation."

Fletcher has asked the court to shut down and prevent a report from the Franklin County special grand jury that has indicted 13 current and former administration officials and associates.

Meanwhile, the grand jury has continued to meet and interview witnesses.

Oral arguments in Fletcher's appeal are scheduled for March 21.

## Mine agency to test new communication systems in underground mine

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The agency that oversees mine safety is getting ready to test seven new communications devices in underground coal mines in an effort to prevent some of the problems that took place at West Virginia's Sago mine, where a dozen miners were killed in January.

The devices being examined are all wireless, two-way systems, said Steven Luzik, chief

of the Approval and Certification Center within the Mine Safety and Health Administration.

"This is all new technology that's never been tested underground," he said.

The testing will occur in two weeks at a CONSOL Energy mine near Moundsville, W. Va., said Luzik, who helped moderate a public meeting on mine safety Monday.

The meeting was a follow-up to the agency's request for pub-

lic input on its effort to improve mine safety following the Sago accident and another accident at West Virginia's Alma No. 1 mine, which left two miners dead.

Gary Tydings, the vice president of business development for Stolar Research Corp., was among those presenting ideas

and said his New Mexico-based company has developed a tracking device that already is used for military purposes and can be used to locate trapped miners.

Another speaker, Donnie Gatten, has a consulting company that trains mine rescue teams. He warned federal officials to carefully study any new

technology to make sure it does not cause a spark and lead to an explosion in an underground coal mine, where methane gas levels can be high.

David Dye, the acting administrator of the mine agency, said his staff was wading through more than 80 proposals it received following its January request for public comments. "We're looking for a subset of the most promising ones," he said.

The West Virginia accidents

pushed the agency to test the new communications equipment, Luzik said. Prior to the accidents, "in this particular area, we haven't done much," he conceded.

A communications breakdown during the Sago disaster led to initial reports that the 12 miners who were killed were alive. Rescuers pulled one survivor from the mine, Randall McCloy Jr. He is recuperating from carbon monoxide poisoning.

## Robbery

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and burn down the building if they reported the incident to authorities.

Indictments were also issued for three other cases. They include:

■ David Ferrell, 39, of Auxier, who was charged with two counts of assault, one count of violating a protective order and one count of disorderly conduct for a Dec. 12 incident in which he allegedly stabbed and struck a victim who had previously obtained a court order to

keep him away.

■ Melody Perry, 45, of Paintsville, who was indicted for one count of theft for allegedly writing bad checks totaling \$11,000 to the Rite Aid store in Martin.

■ Brian Adams, 29, of McDowell, who was indicted on three misdemeanor charges which included criminal mischief and two counts of wanton endangerment. The case was sent down to district court for adjudication.

## Chase

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Shepherd, who was under investigation. He was alerted to Thomas Shepherd's presence when the suspect turned onto Route 850 at a high rate of speed which was accompanied by the sound of screeching tires. The deputy pursued Shepherd, activating his flashers and siren, but Thomas Shepherd allegedly continued to drive for 4.5 miles before coming to a stop.

Shepherd then tackled the suspect as he was exiting the vehicle.

Deputy Shepherd noted that Thomas Shepherd had a history of fleeing and his criminal record, which includes five convictions for resisting arrest, attested to it.

"He always takes off running from us," the deputy said.

Deputy Shepherd also noted that Thomas Shepherd resisted being handcuffed and that he never put his vehicle in park, which saw the deputy have to race after the auto which began rolling.

Deputy Shepherd also testified that Thomas Shepherd continued to behave belligerently after being restrained. He said that Thomas Shepherd berated him, saying, "Take off the cuffs and face me like a real man." He also reported that Thomas Shepherd made threats towards the deputy's family and reeked of alcohol. The officer then discovered an open bottle of whiskey on the passenger seat.

Judge Hall passed the case on to the grand jury after the testimony and then heard a motion from Thomas Shepherd's attorney, Jerry Patton, who asked that his client's \$15,000 cash bond

be converted to a property bond. Assistant County Attorney Jimmy Marcum objected to the motion and pointed out that Shepherd had a fleeing and evading case still pending from 2005 and further noted that Shepherd may be looking at charges of possessing meth precursors as well. Judge Hall ruled that the bond would remain at \$15,000 full cash.

Marcum was referencing the deputy's investigation when he noted more charges. Deputy Shepherd had spied three jugs containing a greenish liquid with white blotches in the back seat of Shepherd's car and obtained a search order after interviewing a jail guard who reported that Thomas Shepherd said he had liquid meth in some jugs that he was taking to an undisclosed location for processing when the deputy caught him.

The jugs are being sent out for lab tests and could result in more charges being lodged against Thomas Shepherd, who is currently facing two charges of fleeing, driving under the influence of alcohol, driving on a DUI-suspended license, resisting arrest, two counts of wanton endangerment, two counts of terroristic threatening and several motor vehicle violations.

Thomas Shepherd was in circuit court on Jan. 24 of this year when jury found his brother, Billy, guilty of similar charges. Billy Shepherd got seven years in jail for two cases involving fleeing that would have only resulted in a fine had he pulled over when officers on both occasions observed that his rear lights were inoperable.

## Senate passes bill to help veterans get state jobs

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT

Legislation aimed at helping veterans land state rank-and-file jobs won easy passage in the Kentucky Senate on Monday.

If the bill becomes law, the military backgrounds of veterans would be listed on their applications for state merit jobs.

The bill also seeks to give veterans a preference for such jobs by allowing them to exceed 100 points on entrance examina-

tions. Veterans already have either five or 10 points added to their exam scores for having served in the military.

The Senate amended the bill Monday to require state agencies to offer interviews to as many as three veterans deemed qualified for a job. A Senate committee had proposed that up to 10 veterans get interviews for a job, but there were concerns such a high requirement could slow the filling of jobs, said Sen. Elizabeth Tori, R-Radcliff.

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underground geology, which must be suitable for the injection of carbon dioxide emissions. Those emissions will be pumped into underground aquifers rather than being released into the atmosphere.

"Clearly, there are some parts of the state that have attributes suitable for carbon sequestration," McNeill said. "Areas of

western Kentucky along the Ohio River have demonstrated great promise for carbon sequestration."

McNeill said his office has reviewed the FutureGen alliance's request for proposals. He said it appears that Kentucky can meet the necessary criteria and has initially decided to proceed with a proposal.

The most dangerous animals in the forest  
don't live there.

## V

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"1984" — here is the equivalent of Big Brother, the high chancellor bent on maintaining power through any means necessary.

Lloyd's graphic novel was a response to the conservatism of Margaret Thatcher, while the movie makes a rather muddled attempt to extrapolate from today's state of affairs how a totalitarian society might evolve.

The filmmakers toss in sketchy references to the "former United States," now a plague-ridden land, and incorporate hints that global chaos

from an American war created the circumstances through which hate-mongers rose to power in Britain.

But the action grows farcical heavy-handed at times, undermining whatever pretense "V for Vendetta" had to examine serious matters of individuality versus security of the state.

Still, the movie strikes an uneasy nerve. This is a story where you're clearly rooting for the terrorist, and the closing images are both horrific in a post-Sept. 11 world — and pervasively exhilarating.



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### Give it up for the girls

by RICK BENTLEY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

Color these notes green and maybe some of the luck o' the Irish will shine on you today:

■ My faith in girls' basketball on the high school level was renewed on Tuesday night when I saw one of the finest games I'd seen over the last 10 years.

There was a time when I thought the girls' game was rapidly approaching the guys. It seemed as if the guys were quickly turning their backs on the fundamentals while the ladies were using them as they were intended, which is to their advantage.

The early 1990s were the glory years in the 15th, in my estimation. B.J. Elswick held Elkhorn City's girls on par with any in the state and proved it at the state tournament. That team, however, nearly didn't make it to Bowling Green.

Sheldon Clark was tremendous that year. It may have been the best team that didn't make it out of the region we've ever had. Johnson Central was very good as well. Ron Preece at Phelps made sure they earned the district title, while Bob Spears was getting it done at Dorton.

And there were others. But over time I think it's gone down hill, to the point that the regional tournament has been very bland in my estimation for some time. I've seen teams play for regional titles and wondered if they'd have made it out of the district in year's past.

That wasn't what I got on Tuesday night when Magoffin County fought off Pike Central. I got a terrific game between two very solid teams. I saw players who were skilled and able to do things I hadn't seen the last few years from high school athletes.

Business, as Jim Ross may say, appears to be picking up in the 15th Region. And, personally, I couldn't be happier about that.

■ I wonder what the powers that be thought about the Expo Center. It sure seemed like the right place to hold the regional tournament from this end.

I was out of town and missed most of the regional, but saw two nights and wondered how many high school gyms would have held either crowd. None would have offered them the comfort they had at our new palace.

The complaints I heard were few, perhaps singular in nature. And yes, it was no doubt a hall for Pup Miller and Magoffin County. But I didn't hear any complaints

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## Magoffin wins first-ever regional title

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE – The 15th Region has a new girls' basketball champion. Preseason 15th Region favorite Magoffin County put the finishing touches on a championship season Tuesday night with a 74-66 win over preseason number two-ranked Pike County Central. Magoffin County, which maintained some sort of lead at the end of each of the first three quarters, outscored Magoffin County 25-20 in the fourth

quarter en route to a 74-66 win. Michael Howard led the way for Magoffin County, tossing in a game-high 28 points. Ashley Jade Howard followed closely for the Lady Hornets, scoring 21 points prior to being named the tournament's Most Valuable Player. Calloray Howard and Ashley Hall helped the balanced Magoffin County scoring effort with nine points apiece.

Magoffin County's Steve "Pup" Miller was able to guide the Magoffin County girls to the regional championship in

just his second year as head coach.

"I'm real pleased with these girls," said Miller. "It was a great effort; they never gave up."

Pike Central fought back and grabbed a lead in the second half. But Magoffin County finished strong. The Lady Hornets clung to a slim 61-59 lead with just over 4:00 remaining before outscoring Pike County Central 6-2 over the next two minutes.

Pike County Central head coach Stephen Butcher was

able to get the Lady Hawks in the 15th Region championship game in his first season at the helm.

Magoffin County was able to enact revenge. In 2005, Pike Central pulled off an upset over the Lady Hornets, beating Magoffin County 86-74.

Pike Central's two leaders – Haley Ratliff and Kayla Lowe – paced the Lady Hawks. Ratliff led Pike Central with 26 points. Lowe followed closely with 25 points for the Lady Hawks. Abby Coleman chipped in with seven points

for the Pike Central girls. Magoffin County took a 32-29 lead over Pike Central into halftime Tuesday night.

Brittany Manns rounded out the Magoffin County scoring with seven points.

The stage is set for the Houchens Industries/KHSAA Girls' Sweet Sixteen Basketball Tournament. Magoffin County will take on 5th Region champion Elizabethtown Wednesday night at 8 p.m. in the opening round at E.A. Diddle Arena on the campus of Western Ken-

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## J'town handles Golden Eagles



**TASTE OF BOYS' SWEET 16:** Johnson Central head coach Mark Starns, pictured talking with his team during a timeout in last week's 15th Region Tournament, got the Golden Eagles back into the Boys' Sweet 16 for the first time since 2000. Jeffersontown defeated the Golden Eagles 68-49 Wednesday in an opening round state tournament game.

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON – In just his first season as head coach of the Johnson Central Golden Eagles, Mark Starns had his team in the National City Boys' Sweet Sixteen. Starns, who replaced Les Trimble as Johnson Central boys' basketball coach returned to Rupp Arena Wednesday evening as a head coach after helping Mason County to a state championship as an assistant coach. The Johnson Central head coach and his team, champions out of the 15th Region, had the tough task of playing 7th Region champion Jeffersontown in the opening round of the state tournament. Jeffersontown turned the basketball over 23 times, but still managed to win 68-49.

"My guys never quit," said Starns.

"They played hard throughout and I'm very proud of them."

The Chargers forced Johnson Central into committing 24 turnovers.

Cederick Ware was one of four Jeffersontown players to work his way into double figures. Ware led J'town with a game-high 17 points. Gagel followed with 13 points for the Chargers.

With 1:44 left in the first half, Jeffersontown's lead was a mere four-point (22-18) advantage. Johnson Central hung with Jeffersontown in the first half. The Louisville team outscored teh 15th Region champ 15-9 in the opening period.

Johnson Central had the J'town lead cut down to six points in the last minute. But the Chargers were able to push the lead back out. The Golden Eagles were on the short end of a 28-

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### 2005-06 15TH REGION BOYS' BASKETBALL

TEAM	RECORD
Belfry	21-9
Paintsville	21-10
Pike County Central	20-10
Johnson Central	19-12
Shelby Valley	18-13
Phelps	15-11
Prestonsburg	15-14
South Floyd	14-15
East Ridge	12-14
Betsy Layne	12-16
Pikeville	12-16
Sheldon Clark	10-16
Magoffin County	10-17
Lawrence County	10-18
Piarist School	7-21
Allen Central	5-22
David School	0-28

### Pike Central coach, player claim KABC honors

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

WINCHESTER – The Kentucky Association of Basketball Coaches has honored a Pike County Central High School coach and player. Pike Central senior Brad Lowe has been named the KABC 15th Region of the Year. Lowe finished the 2005-06 regular-season as the state's third-leading scorer, averaging 29.2 points game. The Pike Central senior ranked third behind Boyd County's Antonio Owens (30.2 ppg) and Middlesboro standout Stuart Miller (29.4). Lowe remains undecided on his college choice.

Pike Central head coach David

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### Kinzer team claims top-10 finish at Cherokee

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ALLEN – Over the weekend, Brandon Kinzer Motorsports headed to Gaffney, S.C., and competed in the Southern Allstars-sanctioned March Madness at Cherokee Super Speedway. The trip yielded a top-10 finish for the Floyd County-based dirt track Late Model team.

A test session was mired with bad luck as a car in front of Kinzer broke a drive shaft and the Floyd County driver had the misfortune of hitting the broke drivetrain part.

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### Commission sets 2006-2007 deer season dates

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT – The Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission, at its March 3 quarterly meeting, proposed deer season dates and zone changes for 2006-2007. Commissioners also proposed a minimum size limit for crappie at Buckhorn Lake beginning next year.

The Fish and Wildlife Commission recommends all hunting, fishing and boating regulations for approval by the General Assembly and approves all expenditures by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

- The 2006-2007 Deer Seasons:  
Statewide All Zones:  
Archery – September 2, 2006 – January 15, 2007  
Early Youth Weekend – October 14-15, 2006  
Early Muzzleloader – October 21-22, 2006  
Late Muzzleloader – December 9-17, 2006

- Late Youth Weekend – December 30-31, 2006  
Zones 1 & 2:  
Modern Firearms – November 11-26, 2006  
Zones 3 & 4:  
Modern Firearms – November 11-20, 2006  
Bag limits remain the same as last year.

The Commission proposed that crossbows be permitted for deer and turkey during the entire archery season, which met opposition from some bowhunter organizations.

The Commission authorized Commissioner Jon Gasset to work with bowhunter groups and legislators in finalizing expanded crossbow season dates, and amend the proposed season during the regulation review process as necessary. Finalized crossbow season dates for deer and turkey this year will be Oct. 1-22, and Nov. 11 through Dec. 31.

The Commission proposed changing

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### Devere wins Wal-Mart BFL event on Lake Cumberland

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MONTICELLO – Boater Mike Devere of Berea, earned \$6,000 Saturday as winner of the Wal-Mart Bass Fishing League Mountain Division event on Lake Cumberland. The tournament was the first of five regular-season Mountain Division events and featured 200 boaters vying for the win, which earned Devere 200 points in the Boater Division.

Devere's winning catch of four bass weighed 18 pounds, 7 ounces. He was throwing a jig around deep points near the Jamestown area. Devere took Boater Division big-bass award honors, earning \$1,000 for a 6-pound, 5-ounce bass. He won another \$2,000 as winner of the Bombardier and Ranger Cup bonus awards.

Rounding out the top five boaters are Carl Maxfield of Bristol Tenn., (five bass, 16 pounds, 7 ounces, \$3,000); Carl Prater of Caryville, Tenn. (five bass, 16 pounds, 4 ounces,

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Bentley

from them. It seats 5,500 very comfortably, with few seats more than 30 feet from the court. The parking is both free and plentiful and no more than a block's walk from the front door of the arena. For comparison, I paid \$15 a day at the SEC last week just to park the car, much less where I parked myself. And city blocks in Pikeville's aren't exactly marathon walks as they can be in other cities.

It seems like the perfect place for the tournament.

And once the checks roll into the schools - and we all know that's the bottom line in so many ways of looking at it - we can anticipate the Expo Center becoming a fairly permanent home for the 15th Region tournament for the foreseeable future.

Not only is the UAB Kentucky plays tonight the same one that took them out of the tournament two years ago, it's also the same one with a local tie.

Jason Falls is a Pikeville High School graduate and a Morehead State alum, and he's the SID for men's basketball for the Blazers. Jason did a terrific job at Georgetown and then at Birmingham Southern, and is now the main contact for Coach Mike Anderson.

One person's Final Four: Duke vs. UCLA on one side, UConn vs. Florida on the other.

I know you're reading this on Friday, so 16 games have already been played. But my first-round bracket had all four 10 seeds knocking off the 7s.

I'm pretty pleased the women's team at Kentucky is in the tournament, and think it has a better chance at a first-round win than the guys. I don't expect Mickey DeMoss and Co. to beat Chattanooga by the 91-54 final that came in last year's WNIT, however.

I hear a lot of moaning and groaning about Cincinnati not making the men's field, but the best argument for a team

that is on the outside looking in appears to come from Bowling Green where the Lady Toppers of Western Kentucky were 19th in the RPI with a 24-6 mark, but were not among the 64 teams in the NCAA tournament this year.

Kinzer

Damage was excessive on the car, enough that the backup ride had to be brought out.

A third place finish in the heat race resulted in a 10th-place start in the feature. A first lap altercation that involved Kinzer flattened his right rear tire and forced him pitside for repairs. After a fresh tire was bolted on, Kinzer rejoined the field. Racing during the day caused havoc with the track, making it difficult for drivers to pass other cars. At the expiration of the event, Kinzer remained in 10th place.

The next scheduled event for Brandon Kinzer Motorsports is March 25. The team is going to compete at either Eldora Speedway for a Sunoco ALMS event or Cherokee Speedway for a Southern Allstars East event.

As a strong demand, Brandon Kinzer Motorsports has its first shipment of die cast Late Models in stock. The cars were manufactured by ADC (American Diecast). New BKM T-shirts for the 2006 season are also available.

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15TH REGION GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM RECORD table with columns for Team and Record, listing Magoffin County, Belfry, Paintsville, Johnson Central, Pike County Central, Shelby Valley, Sheldon Clark, Phelps, Prestonsburg, East Ridge, Lawrence County, Betsy Layne, Allen Central, Pikeville, Piarist School, and South Floyd.

KABC

Rowe has been named the KABC 15th Region Coach of the Year. Rowe's Pike Central team ended the season with a 20-10 record, third best in the 15th Region. The Hawks, champs out of the 60th District, fell in the opening round of this year's 15th Region Tournament, bowing out to 58th District runner-up Betsy Layne.

Wolfe County senior Cody Gilbert and Lee County head coach Danny Wright took the 14th Region honors. In the 16th Region, Boyd County senior Antonio Owens was named player of the year and Fairview mentor Rex Cooksey was named coach of the year.

2006 KABC Boys' Players and Coaches of the Year

Region Player Coach table listing 1st through 16th regions with player names and coaches.

Deer

Edmonson, Grayson and Hart counties from Zone 3 to Zone 2, which would add six days to the modern gun season for deer in those counties. Commissioners also proposed establishing an annual deer hunt for armed forces personnel deployed out of the country during the regular statewide deer season.

The Commission also voted to allow handgun hunting for elk beginning this season. The new regulation will allow elk hunting with any handgun with a barrel at least 6 inches long, and firing a cartridge capable maintaining at least 500 foot-pounds of energy at 100 yards with a bullet diameter of .270 or greater. For pistols, this will include some .41-caliber handguns, and handguns equal or more powerful than the .44-cal-

iber magnum. The Commission also recommended establishing a non-resident daily hunting license for \$10. This license would not include deer, turkey or elk and may be purchased beginning July 1, 2006.

In fisheries related business, the Commission recommended to implement a 9-inch minimum size limit on crappie at Buckhorn Lake to begin on March 1, 2007. They also proposed to continue the 40-inch minimum size limit for muskellunge on Buckhorn Lake.

The Commission also recommended the aquaculture industry be permitted to utilize selected water supply lakes with landowner permission for the reservoir ranching of paddlefish. A Fisheries Commercial Propagation Permit will be required with specific provi-

sions on the use of these lakes. These lakes are owned by cities or water companies and are not state or federally owned lakes.

The next Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission meeting will be held at 8 a.m. on Friday, June 9, 2006 at 1 Sportsman's Lane off U.S. 60 in Frankfort. Persons interested in addressing the Commission must notify the KDFWR Commissioner's office in writing at least 30 days in advance to be considered for placement on the meeting agenda. People who are hearing impaired and plan to attend the meeting should contact the KDFWR at least 10 days in advance and the agency will provide a translator. To request to address the commission, write to KDFWR, Commissioner Dr. Jon Gasset, #1 Sportsman's Lane, Frankfort, Ky., 40601.

Eagles

20 score with 1.8 seconds left when Jeffersonstown's Dale Easley connected on a 30-foot three-pointer at the buzzer signaling the end of the first half. The shot sent the Chargers into halftime with a 31-20 lead.

Jeffersontown shot 56.8-percent (25-of-44) from the field and 70-percent (14-of-20) from the free-throw line.

Six-foot-eight junior center Thomas Coleman scored 12 points and Easley added 11 for Jeffersontown, which moves on to face Shelby County in Friday's quarterfinals.

Junior Jamie McCarty paced Johnson Central with 12 points. Freshman Ian Welch gave Johnson Central a big lift in off the bench with nine points, five rebounds and four steals.

Johnson Central managed to shoot 50-percent (six-of-12)

from beyond the arc. Senior Kyle Rice added eight points and sophomore Justin Murray seven for the Golden Eagles.

Johnson Central shot 43.2-percent (19-of-44) from the field. GRAVES 42, RUSSELL 27;

In the opening round of the Boys' Sweet Sixteen, Russell, making its first boys' basketball state tournament appearance since 1972, couldn't find enough offense to fend off Graves County. Graves County, which got the majority of its points in the first half on a 72-percent shooting effort, went on a 14-0 run in the first half and cruised into halftime with a 32-13 lead.

Zach Sims led Graves County with a game-high 18 points. Sims scored all of his points in the first half. Bigman Randon Cavette failed to score in the opening

quarter, but ended the game with 10 points for the Eagles.

Russell (18-14) showed came alive in the second half, knocking down three-point field goals on back-to-back trips down the first floor to its offensive end. But Graves County answered. The Eagles pushed the lead back out and slowed the game down.

At the start of the game, Russell jumped out to a 3-0 run that Graves County (28-5) ultimately answered with a 10-0 spurt.

The Eagles shot 53-percent from the floor.

Jonathan VanHoose paced Russell (18-14) with 10 points. VanHoose, a junior guard who entered the season ranked as the 16th Region's top boys' basketball player, was the only Red Devil to reach double figures scoring.

Devere

\$2,000); Jarrod Hembree of Berea. (four bass, 15 pounds, 9 ounces, \$1,400); and Michael Boggs of Lily. (five bass, 15 pounds, 3 ounces, \$1,200).

Herman Moore of Seymour, Tenn., bested 200 Co-angler Division competitors to earn \$3,000 as the co-angler winner, thanks to three bass weighing 12 pounds, 13 ounces that he caught casting a float and fly in the Fall Creek area around secondary points.

Rounding out the top five co-anglers are Orville Cope of Treadway, Tenn. (four bass, 11 pounds, 5 ounces, \$1,500); Luke Stevenson of Nancy, (three bass, 9 pounds, 9 ounces, \$1,000); Kelly Barrett of Richmond, (four bass, 9 pounds, 6 ounces, \$700); and Billy Brock of

Corbin, (two bass, 8 pounds, 6 ounces, \$600).

Ronald Hiles of McDermott, Ohio, earned \$500 as the co-angler big-bass award winner, thanks to a 5-pound, 6-ounce bass he caught on a blade bait on the lower end of the lake.

The Mountain Division's next event will be held April, 8 on Dale Hollow Lake near Byrdstown, Tenn., followed by an event on Lake Douglas near Sevierville, Tenn., April 29. The fourth event will be held May 20 on Lake Cherokee near Morristown, Tenn., and the Mountain Division will wrap up its regular season Sept. 23-24 with a two-day Super Tournament on the Barren River near Glasgow.

Following the regular season, the Mountain Division boater

with the most points who advances farthest in the Wal-Mart BFL All-American will earn \$10,000 as the Yamaha "Be the Best" points champion. The co-angler points champion who advances farthest will earn \$5,000 as the Yamaha "Be the Best" points champion in the Co-angler Division.

Every angler who receives weight credit in a tournament earns points, with 200 points going to the winner, 199 for second, 198 for third, and so on except for Super Tournaments, which award 300 points to the winner, 299 for second, 298 for third, and so on. The top 40 Mountain Division boaters and co-anglers based on year-end

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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



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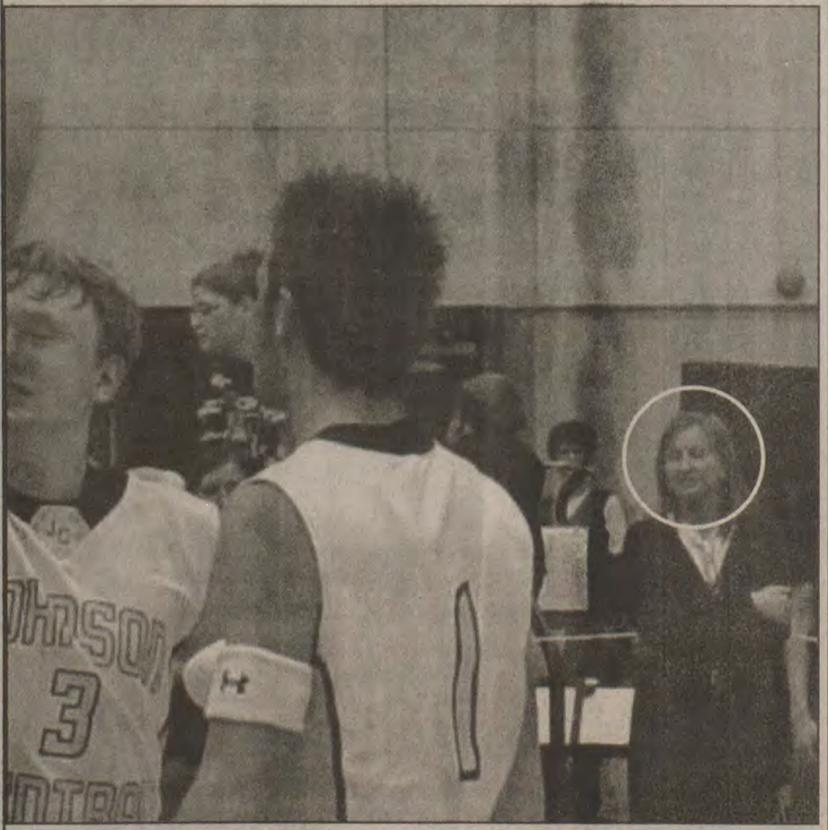


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# South Laurel, Graves County, Jeffersontown, Shelby County advance

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — South Laurel coach Steve Wright knew the path to a second straight state title wouldn't be an easy task.

Newcomer John Hardin challenged South Laurel, but the team escaped with a 47-33 win over the Bulldogs Wednesday in the first round of the boys' Sweet Sixteen at Rupp Arena.

"I felt like it would be a battle from the get-go," Wright said. "We were fortunate to come out on top. It probably wasn't the best game we've played here, but we got the job done, and that's all that matters."

The Cardinals (28-5), who won the 13th Region, will take on 1st Region champion Graves County in the quarterfinals Friday. The Eagles advanced with a 42-27 win over Russell in the tourney opener.

In other games Wednesday, Jeffersontown defeated Johnson Central 68-49, and Shelby

County held on to defeat Christian County 71-65. The two winners will also meet in Friday's quarterfinals.

Ty Proffitt led South Laurel with 12 points, scoring 10 of those in the second half, including a nifty three-point play on a drive to the basket in the third quarter as part of a decisive run by the Cardinals.

Proffitt said the team's defense, which held John Hardin to 17 percent shooting in the first half, was a difference in the outcome.

"I really felt like we got in their heads in the second half and made them shy away from their game," Proffitt said. "As soon as we started playing good defense, things started going in our favor."

Walt Allen, last year's most valuable player, followed Proffitt with 11 points, scoring six of those in the second half.

The Bulldogs (26-5), who captured the 5th Region title, held

a 10-6 lead with 3:27 remaining in the first frame, but the Cardinals closed out the quarter with an 8-0 run for a 14-10 lead.

South Laurel scored the first five points of the second quarter, stretching the margin to 19-10 with 6:58 left in the first half.

John Hardin scored nine in a row to tie the score at 19, but trailed 23-21 at the break.

The Bulldogs opened the second half by scoring four unanswered points for a 25-23 lead, but South Laurel went on a 13-4 run to go ahead 36-29 with 49 seconds left in the third quarter.

John Hardin pulled to within five with 4:37 remaining but could get no closer.

The Bulldogs shot just 27 percent from the field, managing just one field goal and three points in the fourth quarter.

Brandon Bland led John Hardin with 13 points and Maze Stallworth added 12.

Shelby Co. 71, Christian Co. 65; A.J. Slaughter scored 26

points to lead Shelby County into the second round.

Slaughter, a Western Kentucky signee, scored 15 points in the first half, including eight in the first quarter. He also hit a clutch 3-pointer down the stretch in the fourth quarter to thwart a Christian County run.

Isreal Chambers followed Slaughter with 14 points, and Jamar White added 10 for Shelby County (31-3), the 8th Region champion.

Keith Tandy had 21 points and 12 rebounds for Christian County (20-10), which won the 2nd Region title. Jamaizz Baker added 16 points and 10 rebounds, and Walter McCombs scored 13 points.

Christian County pulled to within two at 29-27 on a pair of 3-pointers by Baker to open the second half and trailed 68-65 with 15 seconds left, but Slaughter shot 3-of-4 from the line in the final 14 seconds to seal it for the Rockets.

Slaughter, who was 4-of-5 from the field in the first half, scored four points during a 9-0 run that turned a 10-5 deficit into a 14-10 lead with a minute left in the first quarter.

Shelby County increased the margin to 27-17 with 1:11 remaining in the first half, but Christian County scored the last four points of the period and trailed 27-21 at the break.

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The Alice Lloyd College baseball team pulled out two wins last week.

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## ALC wins two of three

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES — The Alice Lloyd College baseball team won two of three games last week. The Eagles hosted Viterbo University (Wis.). ALC won the game, 5-2. Jason Smith pitched a complete game with eight strikeouts. Johnson Central High School graduate Tren-

ton Vanhoose had three RBI and Adam Blevins three hits.

On Friday, the Eagles picked up another win, 4-3, over Ohio Northern University. Patrick Adkins was the winning pitcher and Matt Frazier had the game-winning RBI with two outs in the 11th inning.

The Eagles came up short on Saturday, losing to Defiance University, 6-4. Brandon Collins

had three hits in the game and Adam Blevins and Clay Christian each had two hits. Other games were rained out last week.

Today and Saturday, the Eagles will play their first KABC Conference games against Brescia University. ALC will close out the week with Union College at home on Sunday at 1 p.m.

## Cumberlands advances as buzzer sounds

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

JACKSON, Tenn. — Kristin Kunzman sank the game-winning basket as time expired to give fifth-seeded University of the Cumberlands a 68-67 victory over fourth-seeded Cumberland University (Tenn.) in the opening game of the 26th Annual NAIA Division I Women's Basketball National Championship at Oman Arena.

With five seconds to play, the Lady Patriots broke out of a timeout to set up a pass from Tenille Cann from the right side to Kunzman on the right block, who released the ball as the final tenth of a second ticked off the clock.

UC led the entire game after Cumberland scored the opening basket, stretching their lead to 16 points (38-22) with 3:15

to play in the first half and carried a 44-33 lead into halftime.

The Lady Bulldogs of Cumberland shot 43 percent in the second half, opening the period with a 6-2 run to cut the Lady Patriots lead to five points (46-39). Despite UC growing their lead back to 13 points (54-41) with 13 minutes to play, Cumberland (Tenn.) stretched a 21-10 run over the next 12 minutes, giving the Lady Bulldogs their first lead of the second half on a 3-point basket by Isabelli Cunico with 43 seconds to play.

Kristen Roberson regained the lead for UC on a pair of free throws after being followed following by a Cumberland turnover. Ashley Cross sank a running jumper in the paint with 5.8 seconds to play to go

up 67-66, forcing a timeout by Cumberlands.

Cumberlands was led by Becky Sumner's 18 points on 5-for-10 shooting from the floor. Cann finished with 12 points and four assists, while Jennifer Nagy had 10. Lissi Fuller led the Lady Patriots with 10 rebounds.

Cumberland (Tenn.) was led by Renae Williams' 15 points, followed by a double-double 14 points and 12 rebounds for C'Kala Humes. Mariel Ruis added 10 points.

Cumberlands (Ky.) improves to 21-8 on the season and advances to the second round on today at 12:30 p.m. They will face the winner of the first round game between top-seeded Vanguard University and eighth-seeded Texas College.

## Adkins guides Campbellsville to first-ever tourney win

TIMES STAFF REPORT

KANSAS CITY — No. 13 seed Campbellsville University, guided by Paintsville native Keith Adkins, posted a 70-54 victory against the University of Mobile (Ala.) Wednesday in the first round of the 69th Annual Buffalo Funds-NAIA Division I Men's Basketball National Championship.

Senior guard Zach Ingles poured in a game-high 25 points in leading the Tigers to their fourth consecutive win. Campbellsville is now 27-5 on the season and advances to a tourney

second-round game today at 9 a.m. CST. The Tigers will face either Carroll College (Mont.) or Saint Xavier University (Ill.). Wednesday's victory marked the first-ever win at the NAIA national tournament for the Campbellsville men's program, which is making its fifth appearance.

After leading 33-30 at the half, Campbellsville used an all-around attack to pull away in the final 20 minutes. The Tigers shot nearly 61 percent from the field (14-of-23) while limiting the Rams defensively to 29.6 percent shooting in the

same span (eight-of-27).

Sophomore forward Zach Allender posted a double-double for Campbellsville with 16 points and a game-high 10 rebounds, while junior guard Jason Moore contributed 14 points. Junior guard Chad Robinson came up with three steals for Campbellsville.

Freshman guard Derrell Moreaux led a balanced attack for Mobile with 11 points. Senior forward Randy Jordan added nine points and a team-leading seven rebounds for the Rams. Mobile ends its 2005-06 season with an overall record of 22-9.

## Louisville tennis team resumes action

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE — The No. 12-ranked University of Louisville men's tennis team earned a top seed in the Blue Gray Collegiate Tennis Classic began play Thursday afternoon against Oregon.

"Any time you play a Pac-10 team, you have to be prepared," said U of L head coach Rex Ecarma. "Oregon is an up and coming team nationally and they are dangerous in this tournament. They play with the likes of UCLA and Stanford and are not likely to be intimidated just by our ranking. We have to continue to improve and prove ourselves by playing well on the court."

The Blue Gray Collegiate Tennis Classic will be held through Sunday in Montgomery, Ala., at Lagoon Park. The field features 18 teams from around the nation including: No. 20 Notre Dame, No. 26 Virginia Commonwealth, No. 32 Boise State, No. 33 South Alabama, No. 36 Middle Tennessee, No. 37 Texas Tech, No. 38 Colorado, No. 39 Tulsa, No. 44 Mississippi State, No. 50 Alabama, No. 53 Brown, No. 55 Fres-

no State, No. 63 Furman, No. 73 Texas A&M Corpus Christi, Auburn University-Montgomery, Oregon and Troy University.

U of L (12-2) took a nine-match winning streak into the tournament. The Cards had captured the doubles point in 13 out of 14 of their matches this year. Senior Jhonny Berrido and junior Damar Johnson have teamed for a 12-1 doubles record at the No. 2 spot and are currently ranked No. 27 in the nation. The No. 32 ranked doubles team of seniors Jeremy Clark and Jakob Gustafsson was 9-3 in dual matches and 16-6 overall prior to Thursday play.

Junior Slavko Radman was ranked No. 88 in the ITA singles rankings and was 12-7 overall and 8-4 in dual matches playing at No. 1 and No. 2. Berrido had a team-best singles 10-3 dual match record. Gustafsson was 8-4 in dual matches and Clark 8-5.

"For us to be invited to this prestigious tournament is a compliment to our program," said Ecarma. "To be a number one seed is an exclamation point for what we've accomplished so far this season. We haven't made it past the first round in

the four times we've been invited to the Blue-Gray Classic, so we hope to prove that we belong here."

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- Thursday** at Concord University (W.Va.), 1 p.m.
- Friday, March 24 Lambuth University (Tenn.), 2 p.m.
- Saturday, March 25 at Lambuth University (Tenn.), 11 a.m.
- Tuesday, March 28 Mountain State University, 5 p.m.
- Friday, March 31 at Lindsey Wilson College, 4 p.m. p.m.

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## Devere

points standings will advance to the Kentucky Lake Regional Championship near Gilbertsville, Oct. 19-21 where they will compete against Buckeye, Hoosier and Bama division anglers for one of six slots in the 2007 All-American. With a total purse of \$1 million and a potential \$140,000 cash

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# UAB recalls 2004 stunner over Kentucky

by JOHN ZENOR  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Donell Taylor frequently gets asked about The Play, a break-away dunk set up by a blind over-the-head pass from his twin brother.

Richard Jones and his UAB teammates still get recognized occasionally on road trips as the team that beat top overall seed Kentucky two years ago in an NCAA tournament stunner, with The Play a highlight of the game.

The ninth-seeded Blazers (24-6) could be forgiven if they engaged in a little nostalgia leading up to Friday's opening-round rematch with the Wildcats in Philadelphia.

The 76-75 victory over Kentucky in 2004 was one of the biggest in UAB history. It also supplied one of the most memorable plays — courtesy of the Taylor twins.

A recap: Kentucky was on a three-on-one break when Ronell Taylor stole a pass in the lane and, with his back to the UAB basket, blindly flipped the ball

over his head to his brother near midcourt. Donell capped it with a dunk.

Now with the NBA's Washington Wizards, Donell said he gets asked about that play "all the time."

"They just ask me how does it feel to be recognized for one of the most memorable plays in college basketball," he said. "I tell them it feels good. It always brings a smile to my face when people bring it up."

Squeaky Johnson is the only current UAB player who scored in that game, but three others saw action, including Jones.

"It was an all-time memory," Johnson said.

And not just for the players.

"If we are away from the city, people sometimes might see a UAB shirt and ask, 'UAB? That's the school that played Kentucky a couple of years ago,'" Jones said.

The Blazers won that game on Mo Finley's 17-foot jumper with 12.2 seconds left. Kentucky missed two shots in the final seconds.

"We were the underdogs,"

Donell Taylor said. "Nobody picked us to win that game. We played our hearts out. That's a memory that will stick with me the rest of my life."

So will the pass and the dunk.

"That play right there was pretty much the biggest play of my college career," he said. "Just knowing that it was with my twin brother and that it was one of our last games together. It was a big moment for us."

The Blazers aren't exactly NCAA tournament neophytes; this is their 13th appearance. They've fared well in their two postseason meetings with seven-time national champion Kentucky, also winning in 1981. That was the first NCAA trip for the then-fledgling program, which was only in its third season.

Even that initial upset of the Wildcats — UAB was a seventh seed; Kentucky a No. 2 — might not have been as surprising as the 2004 game.

UAB wound up losing to Kansas in the next round but struck again last season. The

11th-seeded Blazers opened with an upset of No. 6 LSU.

Johnson thinks their fast-paced style of play is a boon when it comes tournament time, helping the Blazers wear down opposing players — many of whom might not be used to facing that tempo.

UAB is forcing 21 turnovers and 11 steals per game, ranking first and second nationally, respectively, in those categories.

"We just sneak up on people," he said. "The way we play helps in the tournament, because we have a lot of depth and energy. They're winding down and we'll be mostly tuning up."

There is a drawback to a recent history of upsets, though — particularly when you're once again facing one of the victims. The Blazers won't be sneaking up on the Wildcats.

"I think people know about us, and moreso Kentucky," Johnson said. "They're going to be really focused and pay attention to details. I know they're excited to come out and play against us."

## Apple iTunes to offer NCAA games

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN JOSE, Calif. — If you can't get enough of March Madness on television, Apple Computer Inc. will offer college basketball fans a chance to download the games or game highlights through its online iTunes Music Store.

Apple said Tuesday it will offer condensed versions of the 63 Division I men's NCAA basketball games a day after they air on CBS Corp. Full-length versions of this year's semifinal and championship games also will be available for download.

The games will cost \$1.99 each, or \$19.99 for a "season pass" to all the games.

The distribution deal with the sports unit of CBS — which also is putting some of its prime time shows for sale on Google Inc.'s rival online video store — is part of Apple's continued expansion into video.

The Cupertino-based company debuted TV shows and music videos on its iTunes store last October and since has sold more than 15 million videos. Its catalog now includes programming from ABC, NBC, MTV, Showtime Networks Inc., NASCAR and Comedy Central. MTV and Comedy Central are units of Viacom Inc., while Showtime is part of CBS.

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# Davis gives LSU another player of the year

by PAUL NEWBERRY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — LSU doubled up again at the top of the All-Southeastern Conference team.

Glen Davis was named player of the year by The Associated Press on Tuesday, while teammate Tyrus Thomas was honored as the top newcomer.

For the second year in a row, the Tigers claimed both awards. In 2005, Davis was named newcomer of the year and Brandon Bass was picked as the top player.

Tennessee's Bruce Pearl, who guided the Volunteers to their first NCAA appearance since 2001, was honored as coach of the year, preventing an LSU sweep of the individual awards.

Last season, Davis played a supporting role to Bass, who was the SEC's second-leading rebounder and third-best scorer. Bass moved on to the NBA after his sophomore year, allowing Davis to step into a starring role.

The 6-foot-9 sophomore for-

ward has done even better than his predecessor, leading the conference in rebounding (9.9 per game) and coming out of the SEC tournament just three points shy of the scoring title.

Arkansas' Ronnie Brewer is averaging 18.55, with Davis right on his heels at 18.45.

The Tigers (23-8) won the SEC's regular-season championship and received a No. 4 seed in the NCAA tournament, largely because of the big numbers put up by the imposing player known as "Big Baby."

"I've never seen a guy who's almost 6-feet-9 and 310 pounds that has the quickness of foot and the ability to catch the ball that he has," LSU coach John Brady said. "He has had a year worthy of the rewards he is receiving as he helped our team to an SEC championship."

Pearl was lured to Tennessee after leading Wisconsin-Milwaukee on a surprising run to the round of 16 in last year's NCAA tournament. He inherited a program that endured four mediocre seasons under Buzz

Peterson, but quickly turned things around.

The Vols (21-7) won the SEC Eastern Division title and were seeded second in their region of the NCAA tournament.

"In his first year at Tennessee, Coach Pearl accomplished more than we could have hoped for," athletic director Mike Hamilton said. "His energy and enthusiasm have brought new life to Tennessee basketball."

Pearl said it's only the beginning. He already was rewarded with a new contract, which raised his annual salary from \$800,000 to \$1.1 million and extended his tenure two more years through 2012.

"We will win more championships during my time here," Pearl said. "This one is going to be significant and it's going to be special because it was so unexpected and accomplished with a lot of obstacles and a lot to overcome."

Davis was the only unanimous choice to the first team, joined by Brewer, Florida's

Joakim Noah, Alabama's Ronald Steele and Tennessee's Chris Lofton. It's a youthful group — Brewer is a junior, the other four are sophomores.

Brewer was a major part of the resurgence at Arkansas, which made the NCAA tournament for the first time in five years. In addition to being the conference's leading scorer, the 6-7 guard claimed the top spot in steals (2.61).

The 6-11 Noah, son of former French tennis star Yannick Noah, was part of a super class of sophomores that led Florida to its second straight SEC tournament championship and an eighth consecutive trip to the NCAAs. He had the league's best shooting percentage (64.5) and was third in blocked shots (2.0).

Steele, a 6-3 guard, was an iron man for the Crimson Tide, another of the six SEC teams that made the NCAA field. He averaged 38.4 minutes per game — nearly 20 minutes more than anyone else in the league — and was the best free throw shooter (89.8 percent) as well.

Lofton was a major reason for Tennessee's success. The 6-2 guard ranked third in the league in scoring (17.3), second in 3-point percentage (45.3), fourth in steals (2.04) and fifth in field goal percentage (47.9).

Thomas was an overwhelming choice as the top newcomer

and made the second team. The 6-9 freshman forward averaged 12.7 points, led the SEC in blocked shots (3.04) and finished just behind Davis on the rebounding list (9.3).

LSU has benefited from a steady stream of local high school talent that decided to stay close to home, beginning with Bass and followed by Davis and Thomas.

According to Brady, that "says a lot not only about the LSU basketball program, but it also says a lot about the high school basketball programs in this area. All three have come from different high school programs in Baton Rouge."

Thomas did not play in the SEC tournament because of a sprained left ankle, and the Tigers were knocked out by Florida in the semifinals. But Brady expects the freshman to be back on the court Thursday, when LSU opens the NCAA tournament against Iona.

"Tyrus' athleticism and shot-blocking abilities have been an important part of our success," Brady said. "We look forward to him rejoining our team."

The rest of the second team included yet another LSU player, senior guard Darrel Mitchell, along with Alabama's Jermareo Davidson, Florida's Taurean Green, Vanderbilt's Shan Foster, Tennessee's C.J. Watson and Charles Rhodes of Mississippi

State.

The 58th annual AP All-SEC team was chosen by a dozen sportswriters who cover the league.

### All-Southeastern Conference men's team

The 2006 Associated Press All-Southeastern Conference men's basketball team released Tuesday, with name, school, position, height and class (u-unanimous choice to first team):

**First Team**  
u-Glenn Davis, LSU, F, 6-9, So.  
Ronnie Brewer, Arkansas, G, 6-7, Jr.  
Joakim Noah, Florida, F-C, 6-11, So.  
Ronald Steele, Alabama, G, 6-3, So.  
Chris Lofton, Tennessee, G, 6-2, So.

**Second Team**  
Darrel Mitchell, LSU, G, 5-11, Sr.  
Jermareo Davidson, Alabama, F, 6-10, Jr.  
Tyrus Thomas, LSU, F, 6-9, Fr.  
Taurean Green, Florida, G, 6-0, So.  
Shan Foster, Vanderbilt, G-F, 6-6, So.  
C.J. Watson, Tennessee, G, 6-2, Sr.  
Charles Rhodes, Miss. St., F, 6-8, So.

**Honorable Mention:** Corey Brewer, Florida, G-F, 6-8, So.; Dwayne Curtis, Mississippi, C, 6-8, So.; Al Horford, Florida, F, 6-8, So.; Tarence Kinsey, South Carolina, G, 6-6, Sr.; Jonathon Modica, Arkansas, G, 6-5, Sr.; Randolph Morris, Kentucky, C, 6-10, So.; Rajon Rondo, Kentucky, G, 6-1, So.

**Player of the Year:** Glenn Davis, LSU.

**Coach of the Year:** Bruce Pearl, Tennessee.

**Newcomer of the Year:** Tyrus Thomas, LSU.

# Kentucky's 'other' dynasty is ready for its close-up

by WILL GRAVES  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MURRAY — During his recruiting trip to Murray State, Issian Redding listened intently to coach Mick Cronin's sales pitch.

Cronin pointed to the Ohio Valley Conference championship banners hanging from the rafters. He talked to the junior college transfer about education — the school calls itself "Kentucky's Public Ivy University." He spoke of the chance to play at one of the nation's best mid-major programs.

Best of all, the coach said, Redding's parents could see him play. By Cronin's math, it was just five hours from the campus to Redding's home in Sandusky, Ohio. Only after committing did Redding realize Cronin's geography was a little off.

"It's like nine hours," Redding said. "But by then he'd hooked me up with the players and I saw their style of play and I was in love with it."

Redding, whose team awaits an NCAA tournament opener Friday against defending champion North Carolina, shook his head and laughed.

Murray, after all, is not close to a whole lot. Want to go to the mall? It's 45 minutes to Paducah. Spend a weekend in the big city? Better gas up. It's about two hours to Nashville and a little longer to Memphis.

Yet during the last 20 years, the Racers have carved out a college basketball dynasty, winning 11 conference tournament championships on what Cronin calls "our own little island."

In fact, the college basket-

with the most conference titles since 1988 isn't Kentucky or Louisville. It's this school of 10,000 students tucked near a pair of lakes 8 miles from the Tennessee border and light years from the national spotlight.

How anonymous are the Racers? Their most famous player, Ron Jones, is best known for his adopted first name, Popeye.

Murray State (24-6) is seeded 14th and will be facing a formidable test against the third-seeded Tar Heels (22-7) in Dayton, Ohio.

The Racers are a hodgepodge of players from 10 states and one foreign country. They have five seniors, none having played all four years with the team. They have eight players averaging at least five points a game, but none averaging more than 10.8.

Cronin didn't intend to spread the wealth so evenly. It just kind of happened that way, a result of his recruits following Murray State's 28-6 season in 2003-04. After nine seniors left, Cronin decided he didn't want to start over with freshmen. So he went after junior college transfers like Redding.

"A kid from a junior college or a transfer, he knows he's got a very short time," Cronin said. "He's worried about, 'Do I like the coach?' and 'Do they win?' And from that standpoint, the fact that we're not in a major city doesn't hurt us anymore."

Murray's remoteness may have helped the Racers regroup so quickly. Because there's so little to do, the players realized all they have is each other.

"We sit around, play video games, watch TV," senior

might go to a local high school game. For a guy like me, it's what I needed."

After playing alongside NBA star Carmelo Anthony in high school and spending two years at the University of Virginia, Jenifer had his fill of playing at a high-profile program.

At Murray State he's found peace playing next to guys like himself — players no longer worried about their minutes or their points or their role, just thankful for the opportunity to play at all.

"When you're this far away, winning makes up a lot," junior forward Shawn Witherspoon said. "Winning makes homesickness not that bad."

And the small town of 15,000 has done its best to make up in energy what it lacks in extras. Cronin said the Racers are treated like stars because they're the only game in town. The teams at Kentucky and Louisville are both more than 200 miles away.

"My players are who the little kids look up to," Cronin said.

The Racers, however, have won just one NCAA tournament game, a first-round upset of North Carolina State in 1988. The Racers lost to eventual national champion Kansas by three two days later.

The next step is to start winning games in mid-March. And then players will no longer have to explain to family and friends the whereabouts of Murray State.

"We haven't made our splash in the NCAA tournament," Cronin said. "That's my goal coming in here. That's the hump we need to get over to allow us to get more national exposure."

# South Carolina 74, Western Kentucky 55

by JACOB JORDAN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Tarence Kinsey scored 23 points and Antoine Tisby added 16 to lift South Carolina to a 74-55 victory over Western Kentucky on Wednesday night in the first round of the NIT.

The Gamecocks (19-5), who have played five games in seven days, are trying to become the second team to win consecutive NIT titles. St. John's accomplished the feat in 1943 and 1944.

Kinsey was 5-for-9 from behind the arc. Tre Kelley added 13 points, and the Gamecocks controlled the game throughout.

The Hilltoppers (23-8), led by Anthony Winchester's 20 points, got to within six with 7:47 to go, but South Carolina went on a 16-4 run to seal the game. Winchester also grabbed 16 rebounds.

Winchester's five consecutive points kept the Hilltoppers in it late. But after a turnover, the Gamecocks went on their run. Western Kentucky finished with 23 turnovers.

On the other hand, the Gamecocks had eight blocks and 17 steals.

Tisby converted a three-point play during the key run to give South Carolina a 51-42 lead with 7:30 left. Rocky Trice fol-

lowed that with two steals and an offensive rebound to help South Carolina regain control of the game, 57-42 with 6:03 to go.

Elgrace Wilborn also had 13 points for Western Kentucky.

Winchester, the Sun Belt Conference player of the year, went 7-for-18, including four 3s. But it wasn't enough.

The Hilltoppers were out-matched from the start. They had five turnovers in the first five minutes and didn't score

their fifth point until Winchester hit a 3 with 12:07 left in the first half.

South Carolina will face the winner of Friday's Florida State-Butler game.

The Hilltoppers' jerseys had the name "Rumph" on the back to remember Danny Rumph, who died on Mother's Day and would have been a senior this year. Western Kentucky also wore them in a 69-65 loss to Georgia on Nov. 26.

## Associated Press All-Southeastern Conference women's team

The 2006 Associated Press All-Southeastern Conference women's basketball team released Tuesday, with name, school, position, height and class (u-unanimous choice to first team):

**First Team**  
u-Seimone Augustus, LSU, G, 6-1, Sr.  
u-Sylvia Fowles, LSU, C, 6-5, So.  
Tasha Humphrey, Georgia, F, 6-3, So.  
Sherill Baker, Georgia, G, 5-8, Sr.  
Arminie Price, Mississippi, G, 5-9, Jr.

**Second Team**  
Candace Parker, Tennessee, F, 6-3, Fr.  
Shanna Zolman, Tennessee, G, 5-10, Sr.  
Dalila Eshe, Florida, F, 6-3, Sr.  
Dee Davis, Vanderbilt, G, 5-7, Jr.  
Cori Chambers, Georgia, G, 5-9, Jr.  
Sha Brooks, Florida, G, 5-7, Fr.

**Honorable Mention:** DeWanna Bonner, Auburn, G, 6-4, Fr.; Sarah Elliott, Kentucky, C, 6-6, So.; Scholanda Hoston, LSU, G, 5-10, Sr.; Jennifer Humphrey, Kentucky, F-C, 6-3, Sr.; Samantha Mahoney, Kentucky, G, 5-10, So.; Marita Payne, Auburn, C, 6-5, Sr.; Liz Sherwood, Vanderbilt, C, 6-4, So.; Carla Thomas, Vanderbilt, F, 6-3, Jr.

**Player of the Year —** Seimone Augustus, LSU.

**Coach of the Year —** Mickie DeMoss, Kentucky.

**Newcomer of the Year —** Candace Parker, Tennessee.

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# Grubb is reluctant crew chief for Jimmie Johnson

by MIKE HARRIS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Darian Grubb was happier when he was an anonymous team engineer for NASCAR star Jimmie Johnson.

But he was thrown into the glare of the spotlight during the week leading up to the season-opening Daytona 500 when he became interim crew chief for the No. 48 Lowe's Chevrolet team — replacing Chad Knaus, suspended for four races for making an unapproved modification to the car before Daytona qualifying.

As much as Grubb and the team claim they miss having Knaus — considered one of the best crew chiefs in the business — it hasn't been apparent from the results.

So far, Grubb has directed Johnson to a win in Daytona, a second place at California Speedway and, last Sunday, a thrilling last-lap victory at Las Vegas Motor Speedway.

Grubb, a quiet person who has been Knaus' right-hand man as the team's lead engineer, isn't taking a lot of credit for the early-season success.

"I guess I have to thank NASCAR for this," he said. "Chad's at home seven days a week working on these cars. It's pretty easy to unload fast when you've got a mind like that back at the fab shop working on it."

"Those guys are working unbelievable hours, just trying to keep things going and keep them up front, because they

know we can. The cars and preparation are just second to none. It makes my decisions easy. I can look back at past history and use Jimmie's input and then talk to Chad at night and just see if he's agreeing with the changes we've made."

Johnson, leading Matt Kenseth by 52 points in the standings heading to this weekend's race in Atlanta, said he and Grubb are learning more about each other every day.

"Between Darian and I, we look at each other and gauge by each other's intensity and we say, 'All right, let's try this,' where Chad says, 'We need to do this.' It's been good for us to expand and learn."

"It's making this race team stronger and me a better race car driver and leader. It's making me more sensitive to what's going on underneath me in the car. So we've been performing well, but it's been a challenging road. It hasn't been as easy as it looks, I promise you."

While Grubb insists he isn't interested in becoming a crew chief and will welcome getting back to the quieter life when Knaus rejoins the team after this Sunday's race at Atlanta Motor Speedway, he does acknowledge the experience has been a positive one, so far, for him and the rest of the 48 crew.

"Chad's leadership is second to none," Grubb said. "We really miss that. But then it's also given us a chance to expand on

our role. We get to grow within our positions and it makes us a tighter team."

"So, we really cannot wait (for) Chad to get back to put his leadership back in this team. But everybody understands their role that much better and how much input they can have to the team and how much better we can make these race cars and make Jimmie happy on the race track."

Brian Whitesell, team manager for two other Hendrick Motorsports entries — the No. 5 Chevy of Kyle Busch and the No. 25 of Brian Vickers — can empathize with Grubb's situation. In 1999, Jeff Gordon's longtime crew chief and mentor Ray Everham left the team late in the season and Whitesell was picked to replace him.

Gordon won in Whitesell's first two races on the pit box, but never finished above 10th in the last five races that season. Whitesell was then replaced by Robbie Loomis, choosing — much like Grubb — to go a different route.

Whitesell said earlier this week that there are similarities and differences in the interim jobs he did and Grubb has taken on.

"I had Jeff Gordon at the time and Darian's got Jimmie Johnson, so you know the driver is not the problem," Whitesell said. "So, at the time, we were going through substantial changes with the team. Back there in '99 we lost some key

people and we were in a lot of restructuring. Then Robbie came along for 2000 and I knew it was time for me to do something else."

"To get that team stronger then, we needed to add some people. It wasn't working out excellent when I was doing it. But for Darian, the results are a lot better."

Whitesell said he isn't the least bit surprised that Grubb isn't interested in being a full-time crew chief.

"Actually, Darian and I had talked about that before," Whitesell said. "It's fun to do for a while, but it's a lot more fun for us — and I kind of put us in the same category — to dig in and dig through the data and

look for some stuff and be one of those guys behind the scenes."

"It takes so many people to make an effective race team that

it's enjoyable being the crew chief or the team engineer."

There's a lot of roles that are very satisfying on a race team."

## 2006 NASCAR Nextel Cup schedule and standings

Feb. 19 — Daytona 500, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Jimmie Johnson)  
Feb. 26 — Auto Club 500, Fontana, Calif. (Matt Kenseth)  
March 12 — UAW-Daimler Chrysler 400, Las Vegas (Jimmie Johnson)  
March 19 — Golden Corral 500, Hampton, Ga.  
March 26 — Food City 500, Bristol, Tenn.  
April 2 — DIRECTV 500, Martinsville, Va.  
April 9 — Samsung/RadioShack 500, Fort Worth, Texas  
April 22 — Subway Fresh 500, Avondale, Ariz.  
April 30 — Aaron's 499, Talladega, Ala.  
May 6 — TBA, Richmond, Va.  
May 13 — Dodge Charger 500, Darlington, S.C.  
May 28 — Coca-Cola 600, Concord, N.C.  
June 4 — Neighborhood Excellence 400, Dover, Del.  
June 11 — Pocono 500, Long Pond, Pa.  
June 18 — 3M Performance 400, Brooklyn  
June 25 — Dodge/Save Mart 350, Sonoma, Calif.  
July 1 — Pepsi 400, Daytona Beach, Fla.  
July 9 — USG Sheetrock 400, Joliet, Ill.  
July 16 — New England 300, Loudon, N.H.  
July 23 — Pennsylvania 500, Long Pond, Pa.  
Aug. 6 — Allstate 400 at the Brickyard, Indianapolis  
Aug. 13 — TBA, Watkins Glen, N.Y.  
Aug. 20 — GFS Marketplace 400, Brooklyn, Mich.  
Aug. 26 — Sharpie 500, Bristol, Tenn.  
Sept. 3 — Sony HD 500, Fontana, Calif.  
Sept. 9 — Chevy Rock & Roll 400, Richmond, Va.  
Sept. 17 — Sylvania 300, Loudon, N.H.  
Sept. 24 — Dover (Del.) 400  
Oct. 1 — Banquet 400, Kansas City, Kan.  
Oct. 8 — UAW-Ford 500, Talladega, Ala.  
Oct. 14 — Bank of America 500, Concord, N.C.  
Oct. 22 — Subway 500, Martinsville, Va.  
Oct. 29 — Bass Pro Shops MBNA 500, Hampton, Ga.  
Nov. 5 — Dickies 500, Fort Worth, Texas  
Nov. 12 — Checker Auto Parts 500, Avondale, Ariz.  
Nov. 19 — Ford 400, Homestead, Fla.

### Driver Standings

1. Jimmie Johnson, 540
2. Matt Kenseth, 488
3. Kasey Kahne, 455
4. Casey Mears, 454
5. Mark Martin, 430
6. Kyle Busch, 403
7. Clint Bowyer, 389
8. Elliott Sadler, 385
9. Jeff Gordon, 374
10. Jeff Burton, 373
11. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 369
12. Brian Vickers, 362
13. Dale Jarrett, 352
14. Robby Gordon, 336
- (tie) Martin Truex Jr., 336
16. Denny Hamlin, 334
17. Kevin Harvick, 332
18. Ryan Newman, 307
19. Tony Stewart, 304
20. Jamie McMurray, 301

# Senator George Allen named Food City 500 Grand Marshal

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BRISTOL, Tenn. — On Sunday, March 26, U.S. Senator George Allen (R-VA) will join roughly 160,000 NASCAR enthusiasts and fans at Bristol Motor Speedway as Grand Marshal of the Food City 500.

"Joining friends and families to gather for a great and thrilling sports event is something I've always enjoyed. It's a tremendous privilege to serve as the Grand Marshal of the

Food City 500," said Allen. "I'm looking forward to witnessing this racing event with families from Tennessee, Virginia and across our great country who will be in Bristol to enjoy what is a truly great American sport."

Senator Allen, the son of former Washington Redskins coach George Allen, received a B.A. degree in History with distinction in 1974, followed by a law degree in 1977, both from the University of Virginia.

Allen also served the Commonwealth in the House of Delegates from 1983 to 1991, representing a district in Albemarle County. From 1991 to 1993, Allen served as U.S. Representative for Virginia's 7th Congressional District; he then served as the 67th Governor of Virginia from 1994-1998.

Working diligently as member of the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, as well as the Committees on Small Business and Entre-

preneurship, Foreign Relations and Energy and Natural Resources, Senator Allen strives to make Virginia and America a better place to live, learn and raise a family.

"Senator Allen has given years of service to the Commonwealth as a Congressman, Governor and now a U.S. Senator," said Steve Smith, president and CEO of Food City. "His dedication to the Commonwealth is greatly admired and we are proud to have him be our Grand

Marshal for the Food City 500. He is a huge NASCAR fan and he's very much in touch with the NASCAR fans. And he, of course, has his favorite drivers, pulling mostly for those from Virginia."

The 54-year-old Allen and his wife, Susan, reside near Mt. Vernon in Fairfax County with their three children, Tyler, Forrest and Brooke.

"It's not only an honor to be the Grand Marshal, but I will also be watching as a true fan to see who's

trading paint, eating dust and taking the high banks at Bristol, the fastest half-mile in this exciting sport," said Senator Allen.

The Food City 500 is the fifth stop on the 36-race NASCAR Nextel Cup Series schedule. Kevin Harvick is the defending Food City 500 champion.

The green flag will wave for the Food City 500 at 2:10 p.m. on Sunday, March 26. The event will be televised live on FOX.

## DRAG RACING

# Bracket season-opener nets six drivers Test & Tune wins

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Thunderous sounds echoing through Thunder Valley signaled the

start of the 2006 Sunoco Bracket Racing Series this past weekend at Bristol Dragway.

For Van Greer, Alan Nelson, Neal Church, Jerry Turner;

Kaitlin Dye and Clinton Snead, last weekend not only proved to be an opportunity to dial-in their cars for the season but also turned out to be a momen-

tum builder as all six drivers took home the title in their respective classes.

Super Pro's top prize was awarded to Kingsport, Tenn. driver Greer as he knocked off Blountville's Chris Starnes in the finals. Greer nailed down a .003 light with a 7.766 elapsed time at 84.79 mph while Starnes' reaction time was .023 with a 6.064 elapsed time at 111.60 mph.

Nelson secured the Pro win as he defeated Bristol's Leslie Hensley in the final. Nelson reacted to a .044 light with a 6.729 E.T. at 103.04 mph while Hensley ran a 7.172 E.T. causing her to break out of a 7.18 dial-in time.

Church of Boone, N.C., picked up the Sportsman win, edging out John Nelson, Jr., of Bristol, Tenn., in the final round. Church came off the line in .032 seconds with a 10.738 elapsed time at 119.94 mph while Nelson, Jr. cut a .093 light with a 12.065 E.T. at 108.38 mph.

Turner emerged the victor of Pro Bike by besting David Elder in the final. Turner piloted his Kawasaki to a .101 light and a 5.889 E.T. at 100.84 mph as Elder came up short, pulling a .190 light to a 7.784 elapsed time at 86.69 mph.

Dye of Cedar Bluff, Va., snagged the Junior Dragster Division I win over Bristol,

Tenn. competitor Ben Denton in the showdown. Dye was too fast down the track as she broke out of her 8.90 dial-in time by running an 8.891 elapsed time but was saved by Denton's red-light at the starting line.

Snead came out on top of Junior Dragster Division II class by defeating Kalee Adkins, of Piney Flats, Tenn., in the final. Snead cut a .049 light with an 8.197 elapsed time at 78.87 mph while Adkins reacted too quickly and picked up a red-light in the process.

The 2006 Sunoco Bracket Racing Series officially gets underway on April 1 with the first points race of the season.

# New trainer Amonte already has a Derby contender

by RICHARD ROSENBLATT  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Frank Amonte Jr. is a perfect example of being in the right place at the right time: In a matter of months, the unsung horseman has gone from exercise rider to assistant trainer to the trainer of a Kentucky Derby prospect.

Last week, Amonte replaced Jennifer Pedersen as the trainer for Ernie Paragallo's Paraneck Stable, about 50 horses strong. Among them is Achilles of Troy, one of the favorites in Saturday's Gotham Stakes at Aqueduct.

The 1 1/16-mile Gotham is a steppingstone to the May 6 Derby. A promising effort and it's on to the Wood Memorial next month before Achilles of Troy is shipped to Churchill Downs for the Kentucky Derby.

Pretty heady stuff for a 47-year-old guy from Brooklyn who's been waiting a lifetime to call himself a trainer. He's still a bit stunned by the turn of events that landed him a job he's dreamed about since he was 7 years old, when his father, jockey Frank Amonte Sr., first put him on a horse.

"It's all amazing," the new trainer said Wednesday at Aqueduct. "I was surprised when Ernie asked me. He wanted to know if I had workman's comp and insurance and when I said yes, he said, 'You're my trainer. I was blown out by it.'"

The move was a surprising one in racing circles, too. Para-

gallo and Pedersen formed a solid team for several years, winning stakes with the likes of Griffinite (Lafayette, 2001) and New York Hero (Lane's End, 2003). Pedersen also broke horses for Paragallo, including 2002 Belmont Stakes winner Sarava, who was sold before the horse started racing.

While Pedersen has been listed on racing programs as the official trainer of Achilles of Troy, it's been Amonte who's been handling the 3-year-old colt as he was winning his last three races, including the Count Fleet by 14 lengths and the Whirlaway by 4 3/4 lengths. Amonte's name will be listed Saturday.

Why hire an untested trainer for one of New York's leading stables?

"He's a hard working guy, he's dedicated," Paragallo said before Amonte saddled the winner of the fifth race, Fuego Grande. "He's impressed me with his work ethic, and to be honest, I'm not that impressed with most of the other trainers."

After Achilles of Troy worked a half-mile Wednesday, Amonte pronounced the gray son of Notebook "perfectly fit" for the Gotham.

"We just sent him out to open his lungs and stay fresh," Amonte said.

Before he signed on with Paraneck, Amonte spent five years as an assistant trainer for Gary Contessa, who has the Aqueduct barn next to Paragallo. But Amonte said advancement wasn't in the cards so he

quit last August.

A few weeks later, he took a job exercising horses for Pedersen.

"I rode for about three weeks, then she gave me the assistant's job after letting two other assistants go," Amonte said. "Then, when she parted ways with Ernie, he told me to take over. I'm grateful to Ernie for giving me a chance."

So far, Amonte Sr. has brought fame to the family. Last year, at the age of 69, he became the oldest rider to win a thoroughbred race in the United States, according to racing records. He rode Evas Boy to victory at Suffolk Downs on Aug. 10, 2005.

Dad was proud when he heard the news about his son. But he said it was a long time coming.

"He's rubbed horses, walked horses, he's done everything and he knows what he's doing," Frank Sr. said from Florida. "We're all rooting for him. After all, how often does someone have a chance to train for a big operation like that — and with Derby contender, too?"

For the record, Frank Sr. plans to become the first 70-year-old to win a race. He'll try later this year at Suffolk Downs after he recovers from breaking two toes about six weeks ago when a horse reared up in the starting gate.

"You bet I'm going to win another race. That's what it's all about," he said. "And wouldn't it be great if I won on a horse trained by my son? How many people have done that?"

## Agent: Lions, QB Kitna reach tentative agreement

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DETROIT — The Lions and former Cincinnati Bengals quarterback Jon Kitna have reached a tentative agreement that will bring the free-agent quarterback to Detroit, his agent said Tuesday.

Kitna a nine-year veteran who spent the past five seasons with Cincinnati, visited the Lions at their practice facility in suburban Detroit on Saturday and was impressed with the organization, agent Mike Moye said. Kitna met with head coach Rod Marinelli, offensive coordinator Mike Martz and team president Matt Millen.

Kitna, 33, started his career with the Seattle Seahawks. Detroit has been looking for a veteran backup for Joey Harrington. Earlier in the offseason, the Lions signed Shaun King to a one-year contract.

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### THROUGH MY EYES

## Bad days

by Kathy J. Prater  
 FEATURES EDITOR

I've had bad days. Early days back in grade school when boys teased and shot peas at my tender little marching junior-majorette legs as they paraded the avenues of downtown Prestonsburg. Then there was the day, later in high school, when my ex-best friend's boyfriend threw gum in my long, straight hair (my friend and I later made up, but I'm still not sure about that boy...).

In college, I flunked chemistry and had to attend summer school in order to make it up - I'd call that a bad day when I got that news. And, as a technical agriculture/horticulture major, there was that ill-fated afternoon spent in the swine barn wielding a razor-sharp scalpel on a tiny baby pig - (Talk about bad, I still have nightmares).

So, yes, I've had some bad days.

But not as bad as the day one little local sparrow had about two

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### POSTSCRIPT

## Happy St. Pat's Day

Today is St. Patrick's Day, and more than a few of us in these hills can trace some of our ancestry back to the Emerald Isle, either as Scotch-Irish or - if there is any such thing - pure Irish.

Now, I don't generally approve of and pass on ethnic humor. But, like hillbilly humor, it's all right if we do it.

That said, I'm sharing some stories that were sent to me from writer Charlotte Nolan, who lives in Harlan and most likely has some of the Irish blood in her.

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Paddy was driving down the street in a sweat because he had an important meeting and couldn't

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# The Most Boring Dance

by Phyllis Puffer

"We are going to go to the school dance!"  
 "You have to come to the school dance!"

We were in Guatemala City, the capital of the Central American country just to the south of Mexico. I had just finished college and had gone there on my first venture outside the US to start my plan of seeing the world. Because I knew nothing about travel and knew no one who did, I had enrolled in a summer session for "gringos" at the University of San Carlos. School was the only thing I knew at that point. The university course would get me started on world travel and teach me a little Spanish. When I arrived, the school referred me to a family who wanted a female American to stay with them to expose their high school age children to English. So there I was, surrounded by dance talk.

The dance in question was for the students of one of the best schools in the city. It took place at the end of summer and was clearly regarded as the social event of the season.

A cousin of the host family made me a dress. I went with her to select the material. She purposely chose dark blue, which I found rather boring, because of the color of my eyes. I must admit I never appreciated the effect my eye color made in a nation of dark people. The family discussed each stage of dress making and treated it as an important family project.

The university summer session ended and I prepared to leave on a local bus to see the rest of Central America.

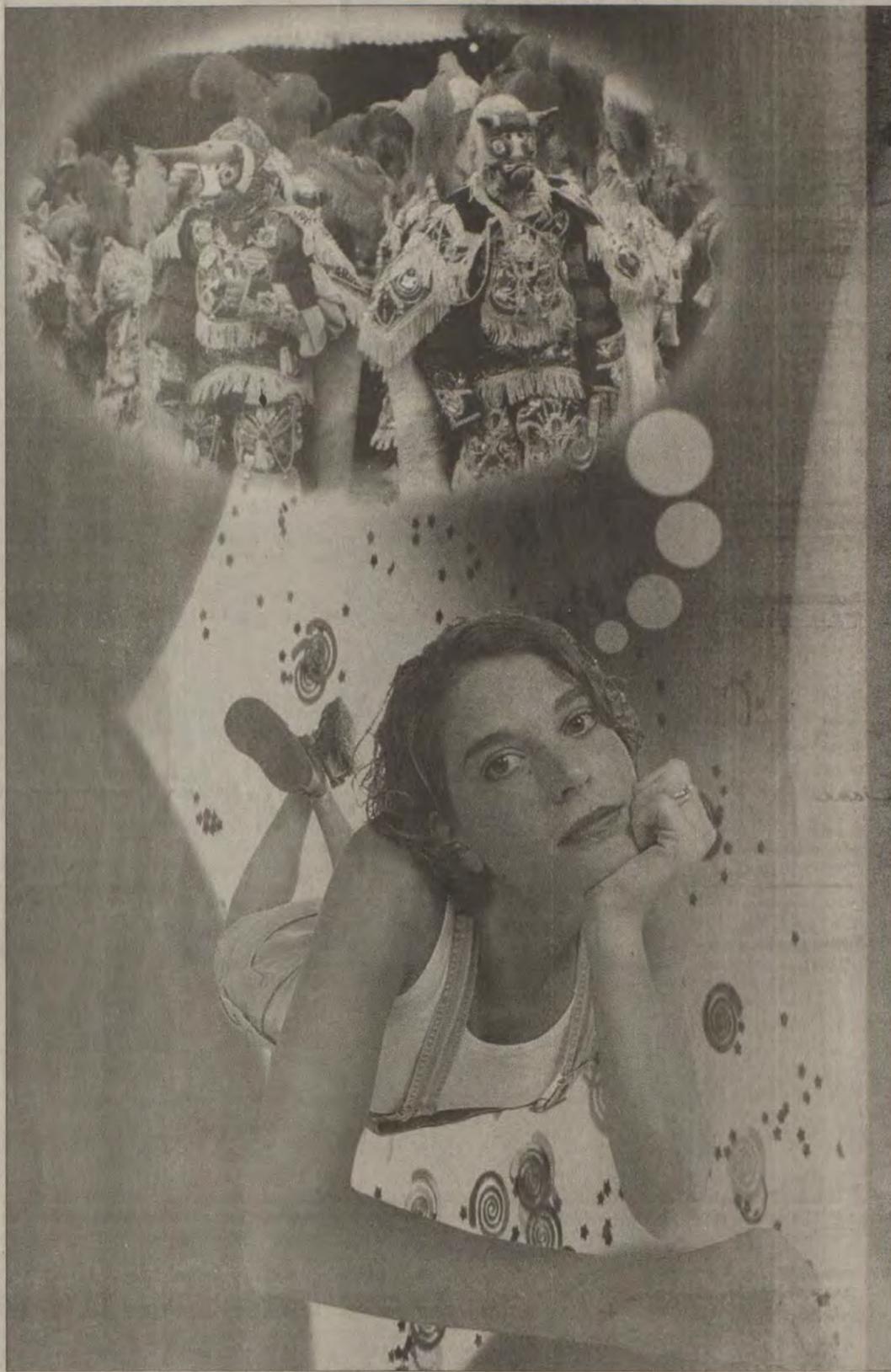
"Be sure to get back in time for the dance!"

"You don't want to miss the dance!" I promised I would be there. I got to the Panama Canal Zone and made sure to turn around and be back in Guatemala City in good time.

Lucretia was the eldest of the two girls and one boy in the Mejia family. Her English was excellent and she acted more or less as my hostess. On the evening of the dance, she, small, vivacious, beautiful, and popular, dressed in something fluffy and orange, and I, larger and in silky blue, entered the festive hall. My hostess went on into another room. She knew the territory and had a destination. I, not sure of what to do, found a seat.

My seat seemed to be located in a quiet zone, but others were there. A pleasant-looking, matronly woman, wearing an evening gown of forgotten color, was seated to my left. I smiled at her. She smiled back. I waited. To her left was another matron, also in evening gown. To my right, behind me, stretching to the left and the right, women sat. For some reason they didn't talk to each other. For some reason, it didn't occur to me to talk to them either.

So there we sat, the Guatemalan matrons and I, silent, formally dressed, and patient. For hours we sat there looking ahead at nothing. Some feet ahead of us was a wall. That was all. I had been thinking things over and toward midnight I concluded I was really irritated. Whatever kind of dance this was, it wasn't worth the name. I made a decision. At 1:00 am I would find Lucretia, wherever she was, and go home.



About a quarter to 1:00 I stood up. Really angry by now, I walked to an open door far down in the wall we had all been looking at. From there I spied Lucretia in the middle of the next room which was large and where, unbeknownst to me, the dance was being held. Several feet away from me, my belle of the ball was dancing energetically with a big smile on her face. It wasn't clear whether she had one partner, three partners, or none. At any rate, admiring young boys/men surrounded her.

I went through the door and started towards her. Right then, to my surprise,

a young man appeared who was more my age. He was dressed in a nice suit and was sitting alone in a long row of empty chairs stationed against the wall. He saw me and his face lit up. He rose rapidly and came towards me. He reached out his arms and we started dancing. It was clear that he, too, had been suffering from lack of partner. His older age made me think he was an alumnus of the school rather than a current student.

I greatly regretted not having found my partner earlier, but my patience had seeped away hours earlier. I was too

disgusted to profit from the belated opportunity. I broke away, went over to Lucretia and insisted on leaving.

It was only much later that it struck me. I had been sitting with the chaperones!

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### THE DINNER DIVA

## Casseroles do 'double duty'

by Leanne Ely

Meal planning doesn't have to make you wring your hands, stomp your feet and cause you to order pizza in frustration. The solution is simple - if you plan a little bit ahead, keep a perpetual grocery list going, utilize easy recipes and keep your pantry stockpiled.

One trick that has always helped me out in a pinch has been to make extra and freeze it. Casseroles are the ideal dish for the freezer as they manage to hold up to the freezer beautifully without losing taste or texture.

So why not make one casserole a week as part of your regular weekly menu plan, and double the recipe? Then you will have a stash of casseroles in your freezer for another time.

But let's take this frozen casserole concept a step further. A little bit of planning for the future costs you nearly nothing in money and time and allows you to reach out and help someone else. An extra frozen casserole is easy stuff and could be a lifeline to a friend or relative in need.

Here's a fabulous recipe (easily doubled!) with friendly freezing tips included:

### Chicken and Artichoke Casserole

Serves 4

- 5 boneless skinless chicken breast halves — cut in 1" strips
- 4 tablespoons butter
- 2 cloves garlic — pressed

- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 cup mushrooms — sliced
- 1 4-6 ounce jar marinated artichoke hearts — drained
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 15 ounce can chicken broth

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a skillet over medium heat, brown chicken lightly in 2 tablespoons butter, add the garlic and mushrooms, salt and pepper to taste and keep cooking till chicken mixture is smelling very garlicky.

Transfer browned chicken strips to a baking dish (for your extra casserole, use an aluminum pan that can be tossed after use); arrange artichoke hearts on top.

In the skillet, melt remaining butter and add the flour, whisking to blend (no lumps!). Add broth and cook until thickened then pour over chicken mixture.

Bake the casserole, uncovered, at 350 degrees for

(See DINNER DIVA, page two)





## Family Medicine

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**Q**uestion: I am planning on going on a cruise in a few weeks, and I just heard about another outbreak of the stomach flu on a ship. What can I do to prevent this problem? Should I go on my cruise?

**A**nswer: Before directly answering your question, let me clarify a few bits of nomenclature. What you call "stomach flu" is referred to as viral gastroenteritis by doctors. The actual viruses that are the primary cause of this disorder in humans have gone by several different names in the past, including Norwalk-like viruses and Caliciviruses. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the term Norovirus was recently approved as the official

name for this group of viruses.

Stomach flu occurs at home, in hospitals, in schools and daycare centers, as well as on cruise ships. Staying home from your cruise does not mean that you won't get this infection.

The symptoms of a Norovirus infection are nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, fever and stomach cramps. People also feel tired, achy and can have a mild headache. The illness typically starts very suddenly, but only lasts 24 to 48 hours. The infected individual usually feels very ill. Despite the fact that most people call this the stomach flu, it's not actually related to the influenza that you get flu shots for.

Viral gastroenteritis is usually not life threatening in otherwise healthy people, but frail adults and children can

# Fear of 'stomach flu' shouldn't keep reader from cruise

easily get dehydrated and become seriously ill. Getting medication to stop the vomiting can be helpful. Not only will this make you feel better, it'll make it easier to "keep down" fluids, which can help prevent dehydration. Appropriate fluids are oral rehydration fluids (a special blend of glucose and electrolyte solution), juice and water.

Noroviruses are very contagious. The stool and vomitus of infected people carry the virus. Frequent hand-washing is important, especially after vomiting or using the bathroom. This more than anything can help prevent the spread of the virus. It's also very important to clean any contaminated surfaces immediately and to wash any clothing or linens that have been used by the sick person with soap and hot water.

Direct contact with someone who is ill, such as kissing or sharing food, drink or utensils, can also spread the

viruses. You are contagious from the moment you feel ill until at least three full days after recovery. In some cases, you can be contagious for up to two weeks. Because there are so many different strains, you don't develop immunity and can become infected multiple times throughout your life.

There is no vaccine to prevent this type of viral infection and no antiviral medication can be used to treat it. Washing your hands after using the toilet and before eating can lessen your chances of getting it. You should not prepare food while you are ill or for up to three days after you feel well.

Enjoy your cruise. You might want to take anti-diarrheal medication with you, as well as some over-the-counter "sea sick pills," which can help with nausea, no matter the cause. You

should check with your family physician or pharmacist about possible drug interactions and dosage if you take other medications.

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## Postscript

find a parking place. Looking up to heaven he said, "Lord, take pity on me. If you find me a parking place I will go to Mass every Sunday for the rest of my life and give up my Irish whiskey."

Miraculously, a parking place appeared.

Paddy looked up again and said, "Never mind, I found one."

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Father Murphy walks into a pub in Donegal, and says to the first man he meets, "Do you want to go to heaven?"

The man said, "I do Father."

The priest said, "Then stand over there against the wall."

Then the father asked the second man, "Do you want to go to heaven?"

"Certainly, Father," was the man's reply.

"Then stand over there against the wall," said Father Murphy.

Then Father Murphy walked up to O'Toole and said, "Do you want to go to heaven?"

O'Toole said, "No, I don't Father."

The priest said, "I don't believe this. You mean to tell me that when you die you don't want to go to heaven?"

O'Toole said, "Oh, when I die, yes. I thought you were getting a group together to go right now."

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O'Toole worked in the lumber yard for twenty years and all that time he'd been stealing the wood and selling it. At last his conscience began to bother him and he went to confession to repent.

"Father, it's 15 years since my last confession, and I've been stealing wood from the lumber yard all those years," he told the priest.

"I understand my son," says the priest. "Can you make a Novena?"

O'Toole said, "Father, if you have the plans, I've got the lumber."

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Paddy was in New York. He was patiently waiting and watching the traffic cop on a busy street crossing. The cop stopped the flow of traffic and shouted, "OK! Pedestrians!"

Then he'd allow the traffic to pass. He'd done this several times, and Paddy still stood on the sidewalk.

After the cop had shouted "Pedestrians!" for the tenth

time, Paddy went over to him and said, "Is it not about time ye let the Catholics across?"

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Gallagher opened the morning newspaper and was dumbfounded to read in the obituary column that he had died. He quickly phoned his best friend Finney

"Did ya' see the paper?" asked Gallagher. "They say I died!"

"Yes, I saw it!" replied Finney. "Where are ye callin' from?"

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An Irish priest is driving down to New York and gets stopped for speeding in Connecticut.

The state trooper smells alcohol on the priest's breath and then sees an empty wine bottle on the floor of the car.

He says, "Sir, have you been drinking?"

"Just water," says the priest.

The trooper says, "Then why do I smell wine?"

The priest looks at the bottle and says, "Good Lord! He's done it again!"

Have a good day.

## Dinner Diva

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about 30 to 45 minutes.

Per Serving: 527 Calories; 17g Fat (29.6% calories from fat); 84g Protein; 5g Carbohydrate; 1g Dietary Fiber; 236mg Cholesterol; 560mg Sodium. Exchanges: 0 Grain(Starch); 11 1/2 Lean Meat; 1/2 Vegetable; 2 1/2 Fat.

**SERVING SUGGESTIONS:** Some brown rice, steamed broccoli and a big green salad.

After your extra casserole has totally cooled, carefully place it in a zipper-topped plastic FREEZER bag and remove all air before sealing. Huge 1 1/2 to 2 gallon bags are perfect for this. (IMPORTANT note about freezer bags: the use of freezer bags will aid in the casserole tasting fresh when reheated. Freezer bags are designed to take the cold; regular bags are more permeable and will not keep your food as fresh.)

Next, mark the bag with what you made ("Cathy's Cheesy Casserole," for example) and the DATE. Add the heating instructions—like pre-heat oven to 350 degrees and cook for 35 minutes or until hot and bubbling, etc. Use a Sharpie pen

for this task (it's the only pen that will hold up to the freezer without running. To keep your Sharpie from running off with the nearest child, hide your Sharpie in the freezer bag box or you'll never see it again. Remember: this hiding place you will take to your grave—tell no one.)

To cook the casserole, remove from the freezer the night before and place in the fridge to thaw overnight. By the time cooking time comes, it may not be completely thawed but that's okay. You will most likely need to cook the casserole longer to reheat, but an easy way to do that is to give the original cooking time and add the caveat, OR until hot and bubbly.

Getting your casserole dish back (in case you failed to use a disposable aluminum one) can be a hassle, so make sure you make yourself a note so you know where it is!

For more help putting dinner on your table, check out Leanne's website: [www.SavingDinner.com](http://www.SavingDinner.com) or her "Saving Dinner" book series published by Ballantine. Copyright 2006; Leanne Ely. Used by permission in this publication.

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## School Happenings

### Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

\*Character words for the month of March: "Caring" and "Citizenship"\*

■ Mar. 17 - Peer Mediation training in center, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

■ Mar. 21 - "Magic Me," weather permitting.

■ Mar. 20-24 - Spring Book Fair. Parent volunteers needed. Call 886-1297 if wish to volunteer.

■ March 27-31 - Spring Break for students. AMS wishes all students a safe holiday!

■ Sign-ups still going on for Beginner Sewing Classes. Stop by YSC if interested.

■ Lending Library available for students and parents in YSC.

■ Adams Middle School Youth Services Center is open each weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The center offers services to all families regardless of income. For more information about any of the activities or services of the center, please contact the center at 886-1297. The center is now located in the 7th grade wing of the school. Center Coordinator - Michelle Keathley.

### Allen Central Middle School

■ Mar. 24 - "Spring Fling" Dance, 6 p.m.

■ The ACMS Youth Service Center is open each day from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or later by appointment. For more information about the center, call Marilyn Bailey, assistant coordinator, at 358-0134.

### Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

■ Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointments.

### Betsy Layne Elementary

■ The Betsy Layne Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center

is located in the 500 building of the campus. The goal of the FRYSC is to meet the needs of all children and their families who reside in the community or neighborhood by the school in which the center is located. For further information, please contact the center at 478-5550 or 478-9751, ext. 310.

■ Brian H. Akers, Center Coordinator; Charlotte Rogers, Program Assistant II; Debra Hayes, School Nurse.

### Clark Elementary

■ A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly and sees WIC patients, does well-child exams (birth-18 years), and gives immunizations.

■ The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Adams Middle School building.

### Duff Elementary

■ Floyd County Health Dept. is on site three days per month. Services include 6th grade school entry physical; kindergarten, Head Start and well-child physicals (age birth to 18 years); T.B. skin test; T.D. boosters; and WIC services. Please call 358-9878 for appointment if you are in need of any of these services.

■ The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the tan metal building at the rear of the school. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator, and Ruby Bailey, assistant.

### May Valley Elementary

■ Mar. 20, 21 - Musical presentation for 5th grade.

■ Mar. 23 - FRC Advisory Council meeting, 4 p.m., in library. Open to public.

■ Mar. 24 - Kindergarten registra-

tion, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Requirements for entry: Initial entry physical; updated immunization certificate; eye exam; birth certificate; social security card (for child).

■ April 17-28 - CATS and CTBS testing window.

■ Parent Lending Library is available to parents for video check-outs. A variety of topics are available.

■ Floyd County Health Dept. nurse at school every Wednesday. Services include Head Start physicals, kindergarten physicals, 6th grade physicals, well-child physicals, immunizations, TB skin test, WIC program, blood pressure checks, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment.

### McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday to administer immunizations, T.B. skin tests, well-child exams, WIC, prenatal and post-partum services, and school physicals. Call 377-2678 for an appointment.

### Mountain Christian Academy

Mountain Christian Academy is a non-denominational Christian school.

■ Now accepting applications for enrollment for Kindergarten for the 2005-06 school year. Call 285-5141 for more information.

### Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ The Family Resource Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and later by appointment. Office provides services for all families, regardless of income.

■ After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.

■ Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or

its programs.

### South Floyd Youth Services Center

■ Floyd County Substance Abuse Counselor will be on the South Floyd campus each Tuesday. If you need to contact the counselor, please call the Youth Service Center.

■ Parent volunteer training will be conducted throughout the school year. Watch for dates to be announced. If you need training, call to set up an appointment.

■ Committee sign-ups may be done through the Youth Services Center office.

■ Walking track open to public (track closed during special events).

■ The center has a one-stop career station satellite that is available to the community as well as students.

■ Anyone interested in Adult Ed may contact the center for information.

■ All new students and visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus, Room 232, and see Mable Hall. Open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mon. thru Fri.

■ For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242.

### Stumbo Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource Center

■ FRC monthly Advisory Council meetings will be held the first Wednesday of each month, at 4 p.m. Call for more info.

■ Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

■ Resource Center hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Parents and community members are welcome to visit. For questions, call 587-2233 - ask for Tristin Parsons, Center Coordinator, or Anita Tackett, Assistant.

### W.D. Osborne "Rainbow Junction" Family Resource Center.

■ Apr. 10 - Family Resource Center Advisory Council meeting, 6 p.m., in resource center. Meeting open to public.

■ Apr. 13 - "Give Yourself a Break Day," 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Mountain Arts Center. (This is your day, parents!)

■ GED classes - Tuesdays (1-4:30 p.m.); Wednesdays (8 a.m. to 12 p.m.), at the Weeksbury Comm. Ctr. Questions? Call Kay Ross at 886-7334. Classes are FREE of charge.

■ Lost & Found is located in resource center. Items not claimed within 2 weeks become property of the FRC.

■ The Family Resource Center is located in the central building of W.D. Osborne Elementary. For more information about center programs or functions, call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen.

### Wesley Christian School

■ Wesley Christian Daycare and Infant/Toddler Care accepts infants and toddlers up to 2 years and Preschool age 2-4. Daycare hours: 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

■ For additional information, call 874-8328. Summer office hours: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### Learning Ladder Academy

■ Mar. 17 - "It Ain't Easy Being Green Day" and St. Patrick's Day Awards Presentation.

■ Mar. 21 - Veggie Tales Excursion. ■ After-school students welcome (after-school will be closed on March 21).

■ For more information, contact MaShawna Jacobs, assistant director, at 886-0771.

■ Learning Ladder Academy privately owned and operated by Cindy DeRossett Hitchcock and MaShawna A. Jacobs. Academy located at 44 Hillside Center Drive, Prestonsburg.



Bienda Miller, left, of the Prestonsburg Woman's Club, presents Prestonsburg Elementary School librarian, Marthan Damron, center, and school principal, Gwen Hale-Frazier, right, with a check for \$150 to be used to purchase books for the school's library.

## Prestonsburg Woman's Club donates to PES library

The Education Committee of the Prestonsburg Woman's Club donated \$150 to the Prestonsburg Elementary School library. This donation will buy books that will enable students in Kindergarten through second grade to participate in the Ken-

tucky Bluegrass Awards. The purpose of the Kentucky Bluegrass Awards is to encourage students in Kentucky grades K through 12 to read quality children's literature. Students read books from a master list for the year and choose their favorite

by ballot. Ballots statewide are counted in April and winners are chosen for each year. The Kentucky Bluegrass Awards are supported by the Kentucky Reading Association and the Kentucky School Media Association.

## Eyes

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weeks ago.

Driving along route 321 toward Prestonsburg one morning, my daughter and I were startled and left shaking in our seats when what appeared to be a rather large bird came out of nowhere, nose-diving straight into the windshield of our car.

Slam! The bird hit, bounced, and disappeared. Looking backward through my rearview mirror, I attempted to see if the bird had survived this crash or if it was, maybe, now lying alongside the road, stunned, but still alive.

Not seeing any sign of a feather anywhere, I thought to myself, "That was one heck of a tough bird." I thought it had struck and then simply flown away.

Well, as it turned out, the little kamikaze crazed feather duster with fowl (sorry, just couldn't help it) intentions had done no such thing.

For upon arrival to my office and subsequent exit from my automobile, I was shocked to discover that the little suicide bomber had managed to wedge itself within the front grill of my car.

Yeppers, there it was. It's soft little body and tiny little feet were dangling from my grill. It's tiny little pea-head, however, was firmly lodged

within.

Well, of course, I didn't like the looks of this mess, so I tried (sans gloves - I was excited and momentarily forgot about this bird flu pandemic thing) to pull the little critter out. "Fairly sure" that it was, indeed, dead as a doorknob, I tugged. And discovered, much to my horror: that it was quite firmly wedged. Still, I tugged again - this time I got a little sick to my stomach as I felt its neck st-reeetch as the bony little head remained firm within the grill.

I gave up and, coming into the office, I employed the aid of brand-new boss, Josh Byers. Josh, who incidentally, did remember that some birds are, indeed, "dirty," was a little smarter than I. At least he did wrap his hands up really good in some old newspaper sheets. But, still, armed as he was, he, too was unable to free the little corpse from its newfound grave.

Now, what was I to do? Just leave those pitiful little feet hanging there like that until the neck finally rotted in two? An attractive hood ornament this was not.

Enter Prestonsburg High School student Clyde Harless. Now one quick glance will quickly confirm that this is a good-looking young man - tall, dark hair, deep brown eyes.

Girlfriend Laura Ford is a lucky little gal 'cause Mr. Clyde is a real cutie (and, incidentally, Laura is not exactly hurting in the looks department, either - these two are gonna have great looking kids one day). But, more importantly, not only is Clyde handsome, he's also funny, polite, smart, responsible and - not afraid of a little bird blood.

This I found out when I pulled into the high school parking lot later that afternoon when Clyde happened to see the little bird corpse hanging from the front of my car. Still distressed, I told him that I had tried to remove it, but couldn't.

Not one, apparently, to waste any time, Mr. Harless was quick to retrieve a handy-dandy screwdriver from somewhere inside his car and, "presto-chango," before I barely even knew what was happening, the little bird feet, and attached body, were gone.

Sadly, they were now lying on the ground, and, you guessed it, the little body was without its head.

And you know where it was. Popping open the hood and with one more quick move of his handy screwdriver, Clyde took care of that little problem, too.

And now I ask, "Who says chivalry is dead?"

# Purple Town

by "Ranger Rick" Caudill, WMDJ Radio

Now there's not a whole lot left of this small town that I live in. But pull up a chair if you have a minute and I'll tell you all about it.

There were championship teams, and lots of cheers and screams, in "Purple Town."

A lot of good people who are not around, but all those memories we still treasure in our little town.

There were street parades and marching bands and everyone saluted with their right in "Purple Town."

There used to be red lights on our busy streets. Policemen on the beat.

When the town siren blew, you didn't lose your cool. It was just a way to let us know that it was dinner time in "Purple Town."

Now, a lot of things have changed over the years. Stores are gone and we've shed a lot of tears in "Purple Town."

When the federal government came, a lot of folks thought their ideas were insane, in "Purple Town."

Now a lot of buildings and homes are gone. And our town just sits here all alone - an empty "Purple Town."

Yet soon, there will come a day, when all the folks will say, "Welcome, friends, to our new 'Purple Town.'"



## EKSC receives donation from Equitable Resources

Representatives from Equitable Resources Foundation, Dave Spigelmyer, Pat Kornick and Lester Zitkus presented the East Kentucky Science Center with a \$15,000 check to support educational programming at the center. Pictured receiving the check are EKSC board member Frank Fitzpatrick, second from left, and acting director Eric Thomas, left.

## New Arrivals

**WRMG**  
New Arrivals



February 25, 2006

- A son, Tony Bryce Honeycutt, to Jodi & Tony Honeycutt, of Prestonsburg
- A daughter, Brittany Nichole Runyon, to Brenda & Robert Runyon, of Beauty

February 26, 2006

- A son, Aiden Franklin Hall, to Melissa & Rodney Hall, of Wayland

February 27, 2006

- A daughter, Anna Grace Williams, to Barbara Lynne Jenkins, of Falcon
- A son, Ethan Ray Mills, to Elizabeth Drenning, of Lovely
- A son, William Johnathan Gabriel Maynard, to Timothy & Leigh Ann Maynard, of Prestonsburg

February 28, 2006

- A daughter, Aleigh Jewel Marie Horn, to Jessica Goble, of Inez
- A son, Gage Walter Gulick, to Caleb & Lacy Gulick, of Prestonsburg
- A daughter, Laken Ari Combs, to Bobby & Lisa Combs, of Campton
- A daughter, MaKinna Nicole Caudill, to Paul & Tammy Caudill, of Salyersville

March 1, 2006

- A son, Jonathan Brady Helton, to Billy & Stephanie Helton, of Hazard
- A son, Trevor Larry Brock, to Chasity & Vaughn Brock, of Ary
- A son, Trenton Dale Brock, to Chasity & Vaughn Brock, of Ary

March 2, 2006

- A daughter, Destany Carol Collins, to Mertie & Ellis Collins, of Topmost

March 2, 2006

- A daughter, Breonna Brooke Manns, to John & Bonnie Manns, of Wayland
- A son, John David Reynolds, to Tina Lynn & Jim Reynolds, of Martin
- A daughter, Emma Grace Thatcher, to Patricia Danielle Howard, of Salyersville
- A son, Heath Aaron Meek, to Belinda & Daniel Meek, of West Van Lear

March 3, 2006

- A daughter, Alyssa Jan Ratliff, to Terry & Nathan Ratliff, of East Point
- A daughter, Joshlynn Danee Thompson, to Jessica Rane Howard, of Clayhole
- A daughter, Carrington Alexandra Goff, to Angela Carole & Christopher Larry Goff, of Racoon
- A daughter, Gabrielle Grayce Slone, to Shelby & Jennifer Slone, of Hindman
- A daughter, Lindsay Renee Cole, to Katrina Cecil, of Pikeville

March 4, 2006

- A son, Mason Andrew Curtis, to Samantha & James Curtis, of Turtor Key
- A daughter, Madison Riley Samons, to Sherry & Timothy Samons, of Martin

## HCTC radiography grad wins national award

Hazard Community & Technical College radiography graduate Mark Hall has been awarded the Outstanding Employee Award at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center in Paintsville. That honor meant he could be considered for a higher award which he also won. Mark Hall was named the Employee of the Year for all 57 hospitals which employ 35,000 employees.

Homer Terry, radiography program coordinator, said he was very proud to hear of the award for one of his former students, who now serves as a clinical instructor for students currently enrolled in the program. "Mark Hall was in the second class to graduate from our program. I'm very proud that he was recognized for his excellence; this speaks well of our program as well as the individual that Mark Hall is."

Hall was living in Hindman 11 years ago when he decided to enroll in the program. Although he was a student in Prestonsburg at the time, he came to Hazard because it was the college offering the radiography program. Hall praised the teaching he received from Hazard. "The faculty are all excellent," Hall said, adding that he sees the program getting better and better. Hall enjoys working as an x-ray technologist and in computer tomography. "I believe I made a good career choice and I'm thankful for the training I

received.

Winning the award meant an all-expense paid trip to Palm Beach, Florida for he and wife, Erin, who also graduated from Hazard Community & Technical College in the nursing program. Erin is employed at Pikeville Medical Center.

HCTC President Jay K. Box also congratulated Mark Hall for his prestigious honor. "To be named the best employee on a nation-wide basis is quite an honor and I'm proud we can claim this connection with Mark Hall," Dr. Box said.

HCTC's Radiography Program was chosen for the first-ever STARR award because of its excellence. The program was

judged on many different areas, including involvement with the community, and success of its graduates. "Mark Hall's success is just another indication of why we highly value the Radiography Program at Hazard Community & Technical College," Dr. Box said.

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**FOR SALE:** 7ft New Holland mower conditions, shed kept, ready to work. 874-0024 after 5pm

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**FOR SALE** 1977 Car craft houseboat manufactured by Gibson. 37 ft fiberglass, 2 350 chevrolet engines. 606-943-2306.

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#### 210-Job Listing

**POSITION AVAILABLE** Dental Assistant. Experience preferred. Benefits available. Please send resume with references to 274 S. Lake Dr. Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

**MOUNTAIN MANOR** of Paintsville is taking applications for a LPN (7p - 7a) position. Excellent wages and benefits. Apply in person at 1025 Euclid Ave, Paintsville, KY from M-F between 8 am - 4:30 pm.

#### IMMEDIATE OPENINGS

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#### 220-Help Wanted

**MOUNTAIN INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS, INC** 5037 Route 1428 Allen KY is taking applications for a Receptionist/Office clerk. Benefit package with 401 k, drug screen, background check. Apply in person or send resume to jnblack@mountain-international.com Phone 874-2051.

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**HOUSE KEEPER NEEDED** Seeking dependable, trustworthy housekeeper. Located 10 miles from P-burg on Mtn Prkwy If interested, call 886-8761. Leave message if no answer or call 432-2225, ask for Joann. References required.

**HEAVY EQUIPMENT** Steam Cleaning company needs employees. Must have valid driver's license and up to date surface mining papers. Call Mon-Fri 9:00 am - 5:00 pm 606-886-1759.

### MERCHANDISE

#### 410-Animals

**AKC REGISTERED LAB** Female - gold-9 months old. Moved, need to sell. asking \$200. 606-437-4274.

**FOR SALE** 3 miniature registered donkeys. 606-946-2306.

#### 440-Electronics

**TWO LAPTOPS FOR SALE** 1: Dell Inspiron 8600 mint condition. 2: Compaq Presario 700 mint condition. Please call 606-886-2352

#### 445-Furniture

**FOR SALE** Sofa & love seat. Good condition. Call 886-8001. if no answer, leave message.

#### 460 Yard Sale

**FLEA MARKET** Wolfpen Branch RT 1091 Buckingham Call 452-9651 in Floyd County

#### 480-Miscellaneous

**FOR SALE** Good clean hay square or round bales kept dry. 874-0024 after 5pm.

**FOR SALE** Commercial cooler with sliding glass doors, Cain pizza over & 6 ft sliding patio door. Call 377-6346.

#### WEDDING DRESS

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#### 510-Comm Prop

**FOR LEASE** Commercial building at Caney Fork Rd. For more info call 285-0411.

**FOR SALE OR LEASE** Professional building. 5000 sq ft. Located at Garrett. 606-438-6104.

#### 530-Homes

**FOR SALE** 4BR 2.5 BA, brick, great location. Allen, KY. 874-2 8 2 1 www.owners.com/TP J8326

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#### 570- Mobile Homes

**NICE MH FOR SALE** located at Caney Fork Rd. For more info call 285-0411.

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**To request an application, contact:** Marcia Lincoln at 606-353-4951, or download application from <http://personnel.ky.gov/>  
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Belfry ATC  
P.O. Box 280  
Belfry, KY 41514  
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3	5.10	9.18	12.24	14.28	15.30	15.30
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5	8.50	15.30	20.40	23.80	25.50	25.50
6	10.20	18.36	24.48	28.56	30.60	30.60
7	11.90	21.42	28.56	33.32	35.70	35.70
8	13.60	24.48	32.64	38.08	40.80	40.80
9	15.30	27.54	36.72	42.84	45.90	45.90
10	17.00	30.60	40.80	47.60	51.00	51.00
11	18.70	33.66	44.88	52.36	56.10	56.10
12	20.40	36.72	48.96	57.12	61.20	61.20
13	22.10	39.78	53.04	61.88	66.30	66.30
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**LEGALS**

**LEGAL NOTICE**

Sheridan Martin, Attorney at Law, No. 5 Court Street, Allen, Kentucky, has been appointed Warning Order Attorney by the Floyd Circuit Court, to notify Unknown Spouse if any of Edna Hall; Unknown Spouse if any of Rodney Johnson; Unknown Spouse if any of Edgar Johnson; Unknown Spouse if any of Roger Burke of the nature and pendency of a certain lawsuit filed on or about November 7, 2005, in which The Unknown Spouse if any of Edna Hall; Unknown Spouse if any of Rodney Johnson; Unknown Spouse if any of Roger Burke, were named as Respondents. Said suit has been filed in Floyd Circuit Court, and is represented by Civil Action No. 05-CI-01132. The basis of the suit is a Petition for Partition of Real Property Pursuant to KRS 389A.030, wherein the Petitioners are asking that the property in question be sold and the proceeds divided between the parties according to their prospective rights and interests.

The Unknown Spouse, if any of Edna Hall; Unknown Spouse if any of Rodney Johnson; Unknown Spouse if any of Edgar Johnson; Unknown Spouse if any of Roger Burke shall have fifty (50) days from the date of the Warning Order to file an Answer with the Floyd Circuit Court Clerk, if he/she desires to do so. If he/she does not appear in the suit and defend it, a Judgment will be entered at the discretion of the court.

Anyone having information concerning Unknown Spouse if any of Edna Hall; Unknown Spouse if any of Rodney Johnson; Unknown Spouse if any of Edgar Johnson; Unknown Spouse if any of Roger Burke, please contact Hon. Sheridan Martin, at (606) 874-4777. Hon. Sheridan Martin, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 777, Allen, Kentucky 41601.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5427 AMENDMENT NO. 5**

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 750 Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, KY 41501, has applied for an amendment to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located

1.70 mile northwest of Grethel, in Floyd County. The amendment will add 695.66 acres of underground area, for a total area, of 1876.06 acres within the revised permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 1.31 mile east of Drift, in Floyd County, Kentucky. The operation is approximately 1.80 mile east of KY's 122 junction with the Simpson Branch County Road, and located 0.10 mile southeast of Simpson Branch.

The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The amendment will underlie land owned by Ella Martin, Emmit Lawson, Cassie Martin, Stella Martin Hamilton, Bess Martin Helton, Jamie Ray and Lisa Powell, Edith Huff, Dorothy Huff Hamilton, John M. and Leslie K. Caudill, Lula Bradley, May Beverly Estate, Willa Faye Dennison, Nellie F. Hall, Alex and Averta Samons, Clinis Hall, Eugene Hamilton, Alma Land Company, Lizzie Hayes Estate, Troy Jr. and Alden Nettie Hall, Mary Francis Stone, Arthur Mitchell, Roland Moore, Dorothy Martin, Madge & Cecilia Denney, Edith Cook Skeens, Roland Caudill, Sallie Hall Hutchinson, Ted and Helen Stumbo, William E. and Helen Hall, Bobbie & Audrey Hall, Vernon & Anna R. Hall, Billie Joe and Janie M. Gayheart, Penny Sizemore Heirs, Denzil Ray Hall, and Ray Turner.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the

Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-8043 RENEWAL #4**

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that N.F.C. Mining, Inc., 432 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for a renewal to a coal processing facility, affecting 12.20 acres located 1 mile east of Lancer, in Floyd County.

The facility is approximately 0.5 mile southeast from State Route 1428's junction with State Route 3, and located 0.1 mile south of the Levisa Fork. The latitude is 37°40'08" and the longitude is 82°43'23".

The operation is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area is owned by N.F.C. Mining, Inc., and CSX Transportation, Inc. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

**CONTRACTORS**

The Elkhorn City Fire Department is currently accepting bids for the construction of a metal or block building for our New Elkhorn Creek Fire Station. For more details, please contact Chief John Moore at 606-754-4003, or leave a message at 606-754-8041.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Cindy L. Boyd, Franklin D. Boyd, Jr., 83 Water Birch Road, Banner, Ky. 41603, hereby declares intention(s) to apply for a retail beer license(s) no later than March 27, 2006. The business to be licensed will be located at 2691 Ky. Rt. 1426, Banner, Kentucky 41603, doing business as Boyd's Grocery.

The (owner(s), principal officers and directors, limited partners, or members) are as follows:

Owner, Cindy L. Boyd of 83 Water Birch Road, Banner, Ky. 41603; owner, Franklin D. Boyd Jr., 83 Water Birch Road, Banner, Ky. 41603.

Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license(s) by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 1003 Twilight trail, Frankfort, Ky. 40601-8400, within 30 days of the date of this legal publication.

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**630-Houses**

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